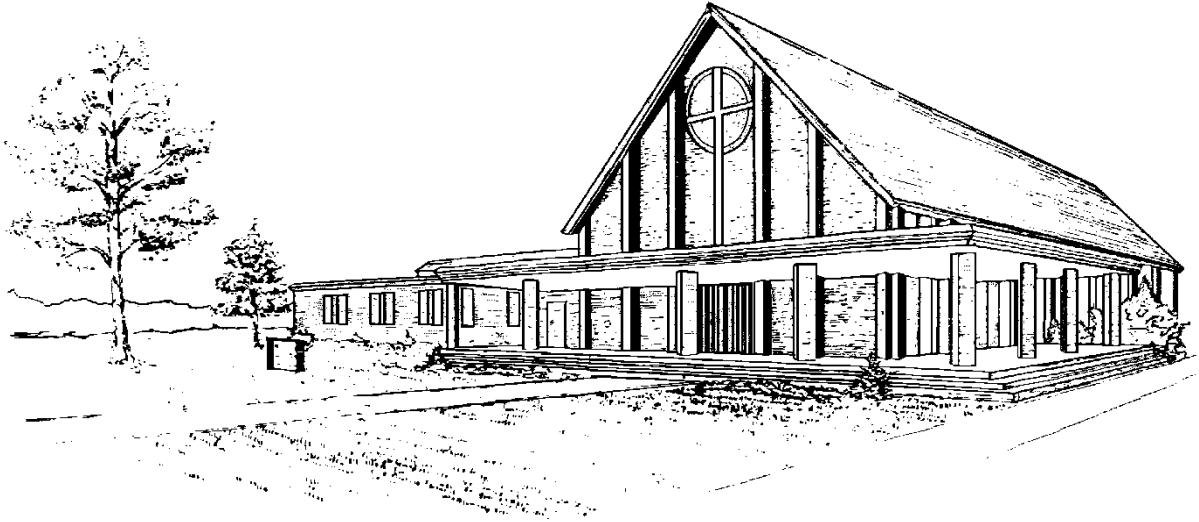


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**Sunday Service of Worship
November 15, 2020 – Stewardship Sunday
10:30 a.m.**

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

Deacon Barbara Small

GATHERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP

We come to worship a generous and loving God.

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

We will praise the Lord as long as we have breath.

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Our hope is in our Lord, our God.

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

We give thanks for the gift of all of God’s Creation.

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

We give thanks for God’s help in times of need.

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

We give thanks for God’s mercy in times of trouble.

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

We know that God will be with us always.

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

HYMN # 414

As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought

FOREST GREEN

*As those of old their firstfruits brought, of vineyard, flock, and field
To God, the giver of all good, the source of bounteous yield,
So we today our firstfruits bring, the wealth of this good land
Of farm and market, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.*

*A world in need now summons us to labor, love, and give,
To make our life an of-fer-ing to God that all may live.
The church of Christ is calling us to make the dream come true.
A world redeemed by Christ-like love, all life in Christ made new.*

*With gratitude and humble trust we bring our best to you,
Not just to serve Your cause, but share Your love with neighbors too.
O God, who gave Yourself to us in Jesus Christ Your Son,
Help us to give our-selves each day until life's work is done.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We are reluctant to face Your judgment, All-knowing God. We know we have not fully invested the talents You have entrusted to us. We hide them and hoard them, retreating into a false sense of security. We live into the nightmare of self-protection rather than in loving and faithful service. We seek to escape by shrinking from life rather than investing ourselves in the tasks to which You call us. Have mercy on us, O God, and forgive us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

PRAYER CONCERNS

Elder Betty Chatfield

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Congregational Response:

*Breathe on me, breath of God. Fill me with life anew.
That I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.*

TESTIMONY – What This Church Means to Me

Meg Lawrence

INVITATION TO OFFERING

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DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous and Loving God, we offer an accounting of our stewardship in and beyond the offering of this day. Reshape our lives for joyous, responsive participation in work that builds up the body of Christ. Use what we offer here to bring encouragement and hope to those who have lost a sense of meaning for their lives. Bless us and our offerings. Amen.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Malachi 3:7-12

Luke 6:38

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON

“Giving – A Reflection of Our Faith”

Rev. Dr. Van Cleef

HYMN # 428

We Give Thee but Thine Own

SCHUMANN

*We give Thee but Thine own, what e'er the gift may be,
All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.*

*May we Thy bounties this, as stewards true receive,
And gladly, as Thou blesses us, to Thee our first-fruits give.*

*To comfort and to bless, to find a balm for woe,
To tend the lonely in distress is angel's work below.*

*The captive to release, to God the lost to bring,
To teach the way of life and peace, it is a Christ-like thing.*

*And we believe Thy Word, though dim our faith may be,
What e'er for Thine we do, O Lord, we do it unto Thee.*

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:

*Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, His Son.*

*And now, let the weak say, "I am strong." Let the poor say, "I am rich"
Because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks.*

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND JOYS

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