

Order of Worship February 12, 2017

*Indicates an invitation to stand as you are able.

The congregation is invited to respond with the words printed in **BOLD**.

Hearing devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

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Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: We gather as a people of a reforming church,

People: A church discovering new ways of faithfulness, new shapes of ministry in a changing and challenging world.

Leader: We gather as people of an informing church,

People: A church striving to speak the truth in love and to proclaim the love of God.

Leader: We gather as a transforming church,

People: A church listening for the creative Word and moving as the Spirit gives understanding.

ALL: We give thanks for the Living God to whom we give ourselves in worship now!



Sing! #161

Open My Eyes, Lord

Opening Prayer

Loving God, we gather as people who long to be faithful, and we confess that our longing comes more easily than our faithfulness. Although we sense your presence within us and among us, we often acknowledge your grace grudgingly or receive it clumsily. We ask that you enable us to become an ever more grace-full people. Help us to bear witness to your grace through the compassion we show toward one another. Forgive us, when the faith we practice places primary trust in human inventions, powers and systems. Strengthen us to live a bold faith that instead places ultimate trust in your potent love and amazing grace. Through the spirit of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Children's Time

**Go now in peace, go now in peace,
May the love of God surround you,
Everywhere, everywhere, you may go!**

Scripture Reading

Joshua 11:14-15; Hebrews 13:1-3; Matthew 15:21-28

Sermon

How the System Works

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*Doxology (Tune #780)

**To God, all glorious heavenly Light,
To Christ revealed in earthly night,
To God the Spirit now we raise
Our joyful songs of thankful praise. Amen.**

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

*Hymn #332

As We Gather at Your Table

Holy Communion - All are welcome at Christ's table!

*This morning we will receive communion by Intinction which means "dipping."
Bread and gluten-free round wafers may be dipped in grape juice (silver chalice);
or wine (earthen chalice). Those seated in the back of the sanctuary are invited to
come forward first via the center aisle. You may visit either station. As you receive
the bread and the cup, you are invited to respond with silence or the phrase,
"thanks be to God." Return to your seat via the side aisles.*

*Hymn #177

God of Change and Glory

*Benediction

Postlude

Prelude in D Major

J.S. Bach

Mission Statement

- ◇ While our Christian faith is 2000 years old, our thinking is not.
- ◇ We are a people on a faith journey where grace abounds.
- ◇ We celebrate God's still speaking voice revealed in our world today.
- ◇ We worship God, share the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and practice God's unconditional love for all creation.
- ◇ We act on our faith to achieve needed works of service, justice, love and kindness.
- ◇ We support one another, celebrating our roots and enthusiastically embracing our evolving future.
- ◇ We are an open and affirming congregation welcoming all in God's family wherever each is in life's journey.

Birthdays this Week

Nancy Macpherson 02/12
Amanda Hofmann-Smith 02/13
Bill Flannery 02/14
Valerie Horres 02/14

Today's Worship Leaders

Reader—George Patch
Ushers—George Patch (Head), Liz Patch, Linda Timmel, Diane Sullivan
Altar Flowers—Carolyn Rundorff
Fellowship Food—Keniston doughnuts
Coffee—Home Perk
Open and Close—Liz Patch
Sound—Soren Knudsen, Tim Galvan
Nursery—Karen Strickland, Lauren Hake
Sunday School—Kristy Galvan, Jim Butler
Teens—Beth Astarte, Steve Thomas

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