



PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP—from Psalm 85:1-2

We will sing of the tender mercies of the Lord forever!
All generations will hear of your faithfulness.

**Your unfailing love will last forever.
Your faithfulness is as enduring as the heavens.**

Happy are those who hear the joyful call to worship,
for they will walk in the light of your presence.

**We rejoice in you, loving God,
and sing of your goodness.**

HYMN #611 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

PRAYER OF PRAISE—Psalm 36:5-9

*Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.
Your faithfulness is like the mighty mountains;
your wisdom like the great deep;
you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.
How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
All people may take refuge
in the shadow of your wings.
They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your
delights.
For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light we see light.*

RESPONSE #501 *Feed Us, Lord*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

—inspired by Matthew 11:28-38

**In times of weakness and hour of need,
because of our failings or because of our fears,
yours is the strength by which we carry on,
the shoulder we rest our head upon.
When our load is heavy and too much to bear,
because of our burdens
or because of our brokenness,
yours are the arms stretched out to help us
yours the grace that we depend on.
In times of weakness and hour of need,
your voice is heard,
'Come... find rest.'
This is grace divine,
the path we tread to wholeness
of body and spirit,
the path that leads to you,
and for which we offer our offering of praise.**

(silent prayer and reflection)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE—from Psalm 27:13-14

I am still confident of this:
we will see the goodness of the Lord
in the land of the living.
Wait for the Lord;
be strong and take heart
and wait for the Lord.
Friends, know the goodness of God who forgives,
restores, and reconciles. In the name of Jesus Christ,
we are forgiven. Be at peace, love the Lord your God,
and serve your neighbor.

Thanks be to God!

PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN #839 *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine*

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2Kings 4:1-7
Mark 5:21-34

MESSAGE Their Story, Our Story:
Courage to Seek Healing (an Unnamed
Woman)

HYMN #796 *We Came to You for Healing, Lord*

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory
now and forever. Amen.*

HYMN #546 *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE