



**PRELUDE** It Is Well with My Soul  
- David Little, piano  
- Ian Alvarez, brass

**WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 103:1-5a)

**Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me,  
bless God's holy name.  
Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and do not forget all God's benefits:  
who forgives all our iniquity,  
who heals all our diseases,  
who redeems our life from the Pit,  
who crowns us with steadfast love and mercy,  
who satisfies us with good as long as we live.  
Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me,  
bless God's holy name.**

**HYMN #15** *All Creatures of Our God and King*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** (from the Book of Common  
Worship)

Almighty God,  
you call your church to witness  
that in Christ we are reconciled to you.  
Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love,  
that all who hear it may turn to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**PRAYER OF REFLECTION AND CONFESSION**

(In this prayer we consider and reflect on not only our  
personal areas of confession, but we also reflect on and  
confess the failures of the whole church. Please join in  
this communal confession as you reflect as well on God's  
love and calling for you.)

Wondrous God we have been like people asleep;

**awaken us to the changing world around us.**

Saving Lord, we have held on to a past awash with  
flood waters,

**save us, set our feet on solid ground,  
and set us on a new course.**

Holy Spirit, we have sought to create a church of our  
own making;

**enliven us with your creative power,  
cause us in to grow together in love,  
building anew the church rooted in Christ.**

**Holy Trinity, forgive us as we hold back,  
open us to the new things you are creating,  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

(silent prayer and reflection)

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

God proclaims, "I am about to do a new thing; now it  
springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a  
way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert." In  
Christ we are forgiven, by the power of the Holy Spirit  
new life sprouts in the desert parts of our lives. God is  
making us and the church new today! **Alleluia! Amen.**

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

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**HYMN #761** *Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Romans 14:1-12  
Matthew 18:21-35

**MESSAGE**

**HYMN #753** *Make Me A Channel of Your Peace*

**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.*

**BENEDICTION**

**HYMN #649** *Amazing Grace*

**POSTLUDE**