

**Announcements**

Hazel Davidson, Liturgist

**Prelude****“Lord, Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”-E. Wyeth****Call to Worship**

**We gather to respond to the call of God’s love thankful that someone cared enough to share this good news with us. May we be compassionate enough to share this divine presence with others. Love, when shared, is not divided but multiplied. Love, given away, is not diminished but expanded. May our gathering beckon and welcome those near and far to know the love of this divine presence.**

**Glory to God Hymn #53 – O God, Who Gives Us Life****We are called to confess**

Trusting in the promise of grace, let us pour out our hearts before God.

**We confess our sins to God and one another (Unison)**

**Holy One, what a blessing and privilege we share here in this sacred space and among this loving community. But, like Jonah, we sometimes are jealous of what we share here. We know that others are longing and thirsting for what we know and experience. Forgive us our reluctance to open our doors, open our hearts to others; some like us, some not. We repent of our hesitations and unwillingness to witness to those we have considered strangers and even enemies for fear they just might become friends. Amen.**

**Time for silent, personal confession****We receive the assurance of pardon**

The one who calls us to this place calls us to reconciliation through grace. God will not deny a repentant heart or an open spirit. Know that you are forgiven and walk in the new way that is made known to you in God’s love. Amen

**Glori Patri****Message for the Young at Heart (Video)**

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**WE PROCLAIM GOD'S GOOD NEWS****We Pray Together, the Prayer of the Day (Unison)**

From deep within us we know of a loving presence. All around us we see glory, beauty, life and light. We have no words for what we experience so we cry out, "God!". In this moment of worship may that loving presence grow deeper, may our awareness of the divine presence around us grow more intense. May we, gathered in this place, learn to pay more attention to God, who loves us at all times and in all places. God, of love and life, in this moment of prayer be more and more in us that we might live more and more in you. Amen.

**Today's Scripture Reading:**

Psalm 62:5–12

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1 Corinthians 7:29–31

Pastor Paul

**Reflecting on Scripture** – Sermon Title: What's Normal?

Pastor Paul

**Special Music – Precious Lord/ All the Way My Savior Leads Me -Marti Bogart – Solo Piano****Joys and Concerns****Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer (Please use debts and debtors)**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

**Call to stewardship**

Gestures of gratitude are a demonstration that a blessing or benefit has been received. We heard a call, dropped our nets and came to this place to find new life. The gifts we give today are but tokens of the blessings of the new life we live in Christ. Bring your gifts with joy for they remind us of just how blessed we are to know this love that flows so generously from the spirit of God.

**We ask for blessings on our tithes and offerings (Unison)**

*NOTE – Please continue to send your tithes and offerings via mail or electronically to your church family.*

**May these gifts, given to these ministries of grace, be a blessing to friends and strangers, those like us and those not, those deserving and those not, for in this way the love of God reaches all of God's beloved.**

**Doxology**

**WE RESPOND AND GO IN GOD'S NAME**

**Glory to God Hymn #836 – Abide with Me**

**Charge & Benediction**

Now may the One who is faithful to all be with us all as we depart this blessed place. May we be a blessing to every place we go, until we gather again. Amen.

**Closing Response**

**“Go ye now in peace and know that the love of God will guide you...Feel his presence here beside you, showing you the way...go ye now in peace, go ye now in peace.”**

**Postlude**

**“Stand Up and Bless the Lord” -R J Hughes**