**Order of Worship** 

We are caring believers who grow, share, and live out our faith in Christ.

January 29, 2023 10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE "Near to the Heart of God"

Amy Duran, piano

**WELCOME** 

Our Approach to God

\*OPENING PSALM "I'm Home" Psalm 84

Nate Giordano, guitar arr. Wall/Galbraith

arr. Innes

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven

and earth.

People: Amen.

SENTENCES from Psalm 112

Leader: Hallelujah! Blessed is the person who fears God, who

cherishes and relishes His commandments.

People: Trusting in God, spirit firm, unperturbed, ever blessed.

An honored life! A beautiful life!

**SALUTATION** 

Leader: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord

Jesus Christ.

People: Amen

\*HYMN "Reioice. Ye Pure in Heart" #169

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we rely on rituals and traditions. A lot of them are helpful. But sometimes we fall into the trap of being ritualistic and traditionalistic – we're determined to do what we've always done, set on substituting traditions for something alive and meaningful. It's so easy to do with our faith, but it severs the connection between us and You. Holy Spirit, please nurture our relationship with you, through Christ. Amen.

HEARING OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

LIVING THANKFULLY AS FORGIVEN PEOPLE

BELL CHOIR "Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know" arr. Krug

Dorothy Abelman, director

## The Word of God

GREETING EACH OTHER IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

\*HYMN "Shine. Jesus. Shine" #431

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Micah 6:1-8 p. 866 (OT)

SERMON "Forms" Pastor Sayer

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

Our Response to God

**OFFERING** 

\*"We Are an Offering" #678

PRAYER

CHANCEL CHOIR "Let Your Light Shine" MacDonald

Judy Hunter, percussion; Nate Giordano, bass

JOYS, THANKS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE GENERAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN "My Jesus, I Love Thee" #79

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "I'm Gonna Sing—Ain't That Good News?" arr. Shackley

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**PRAYER CONCERNS**: Anonymous; Lynn Baker; Deanna & Roger Carman; Marilyn Clark; Ann Froeder; Janet Kosack; Nancy Lanzalotto; Ed Serrano; Richard Smyth; Craig Terjanian.

**THE UNITY PRAYER:** When God asks us to do something in our lives, we pray that we may follow the power and direction of the Holy Spirit and not our own desire.

**THE FLOWERS** are given by Marti Francis in celebration of Janet Masterson's and Clara Shaw's birthdays and by the Bennington Family in loving memory of Doug Bennington.

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