The Community Church in Harrington Park, NJ Mid-Week Lenten Service

March 13, 2024 7:30 PM

Order of Service

PRELUDE Amy Duran, piano

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 103

Leader: God is sheer mercy and grace; not easily angered, He's rich in love. **People:** He doesn't endlessly nag and scold, nor hold grudges forever.

Leader: As high as heaven is over the earth, so strong is His love to those who fear Him.

People: Bless God, all creatures, wherever you are—everything and everyone made

by God. And you, O my soul, bless God!

HYMN SING (The congregation will make 3 selections.)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, You love us so deeply. And You tell us over and over again how much You love us. It's a constant in the pages of Your Word. We see it and feel it in the ways that You provide for us. You don't keep Your feelings to Yourself. We do, though. There are people we love that don't know it, aren't sure of it. We're not necessarily good at sharing that feeling that brings joy to another person. Maybe we're too bound up. Maybe we afraid. And so, we ask for help in expressing the love that wells up in us, through the Holy Spirit, in the name of the Christ Who loves us. Amen.

HEARING OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS LIVING THANKFULLY AS FORGIVEN PEOPLE

*GLORIA PATRI #813

SPECIAL MUSIC "I Am Who You Say I Am" Fielding/Morgan

Sarah Tillack, Steve Baumann, Dada Eng Rhoda Tillack, violin; Amy Duran, piano

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE John 13:34-35 p. 108 (NT)

MEDITATION "I Love You" Pastor Sayer

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

JOYS, THANKS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE GENERAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN "The Day Thou Gavest, Lord, Is Ended" screens

*BENEDICTION

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*Please stand if you are able.