

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

We praise God, who is known to us in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We pray for God to bless us so that we may be a blessing to others. We pray for Jesus to be with us, as he promised to be, whenever we gather in his name. We pray for the Spirit to make our worship holy, joyful, and true. Amen.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Psalm 51

L: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant Mercy, blot out our transgressions.
P: Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin! For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us.
L: Against you, you only, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.
P: Hide your face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities.
L: Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.
P: Cast us not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from us.
L: Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit.
P: For you will not delight in sacrifice, or we would give it;
L: You will not be pleased with a burnt offering.
P: Our sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

☞ Moment for Silent Reflection ☞

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI (Pg. 581 in red hymnal)
Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end, amen. Amen.

*THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you!
P: And also with you!

SPECIAL MUSIC “This Is My Father’s World” PIANO SOLO, LINDA SCHALLER

THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT Jeremiah 29:13 (Pg. 731)

EPISTLE Romans 10: 14-15 (Pg. 160)

GOSPEL John 10: 22-27 (Pg. 104)

L: Word of God for the people of God
P: Thanks be to God

SERMON “Junk Mail” Ruth Gardiner

HYMN NO. 838 “Standing on the Promises”

APOSTLES’ CREED (Pg. 35 in red hymnal)

SENDING

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS
As we bring our offerings to you, we give back to you from the abundant blessings you have given us. May our gifts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord our God. Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor, and power and strength, be unto you, our God forever and ever. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER
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; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

HYMN NO. 175 “Seek Ye First” verses 1,2

POSTLUDE “Days of Elijah” ARR. CAROL TORNQUIST