

* Please stand in body and/or spirit as you are able

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LET US GATHER

PRELUDE *Prelude and Fugue in G Major* J.S. Bach

WELCOME to ALL!

*No matter who you are or where you are on your life's journey,
you are welcome here.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *Chorale "O Große Lieb"* J.S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We come this morning sharpened by the things the world says matter;
appearance, status, achievements, strength.

P: But God sees that which we cannot see.

L: God looks past the outward and into the human heart.

ALL: Search O God each of us more than ever in this Lenten season..

LET US PREPARE

***HYMN** *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above* R6

UNISON INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER (trespasses)

God of surprising choices we confess that often we are overwhelmed and cling to the standards of this world. We measure worth by the standards of this world that we live in rather than the standards that Jesus has set for us. Forgive us and help us to truly see what is ultimately most important: love, compassion for all people and our relationship with You. May we see one another as You see us and may we come to see a world where love .. peace .. and compassion for all truly rule. "Our Father..."

LET US LISTEN

READING Jeremiah 17:5-10

HYMN *Jesus Call Us O'er the Tumult* R322

REFLECTION *Lent: a Good time to get rid of "junk" in our lives*

ANTHEM *Chorale "Christus, der uns selig macht"* J.S. Bach

You are invited into a moment of silence for personal reflection.

LET US RESPOND

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Joys and Concerns *Medima*

Lord, listen to your children praying; Lord send your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying; Send us love, send us peace, send us grace.

L: Let the people say ...

P: Amen and Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY *Chorale "Ach Herr, laß deinliev Engelein"* J.S. Bach

***DOXOLOGY** *B778 (tune: B780: Bourgeois, 1551)*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ and Spirit One. Amen.

*UNISON PRAYER OF THANKS AND DEDICATION

God of grace and love we bring these gifts to You knowing very well there is much pain, suffering and brokenness in Your world. May these gifts be used in such a way to bring hope .. healing .. and love in a world which needs these things so much. In this season of Lent may they be utilized for the good of All your children. Amen

LET US GO FORTH

*HYMN *Fight the Good Fight* R367
*BENEDICTION
*SEVEN FOLD AMEN R594
POSTLUDE *Organ Concerto in A Minor, 1st Mvtg. BWV593* *J.S.Bach*

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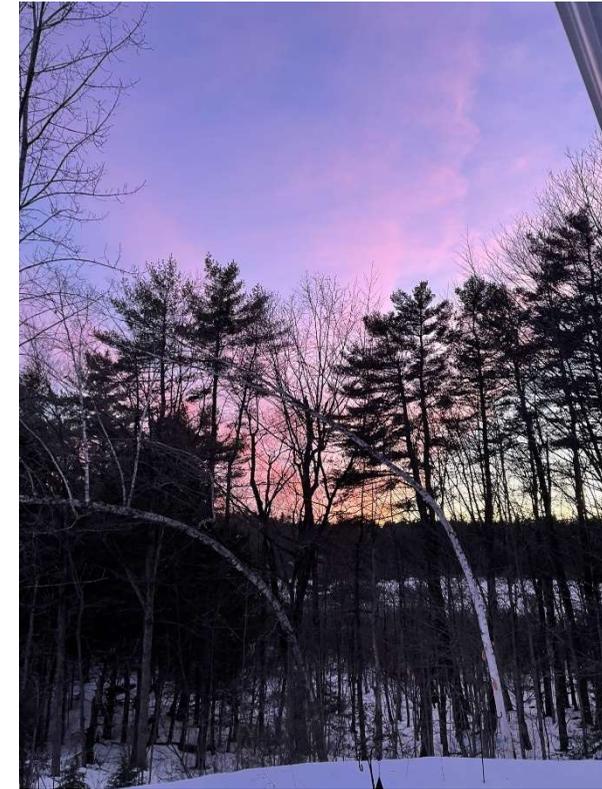
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Guest Preacher: **Rev. Paul Hanna**
Minister of Music: **Gene Faxon**
Worship Leader: **Marcia Breckenridge**
Greeters and Ushers: **Sharon Epple and Carol Schaab**
Setup: **Dan Isaacs and Linda Grant**
Flowers: **Sharon Epple and Carol Schaab**

Please join us for coffee immediately following worship, this week provided by Janet, Susan, and Weltha.

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