

“We’ve disappeared from history like footprints in the sand, but our song is in the tumbleweed and our blood is in this land. But, if in the desert moonlight you see a ghostly band: we’re the men who died for freedom across the Rio Grande.
- Paddy Moloney & Ry Cooder

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

LET US GATHER

PRELUDE *Prelude and Fugue in F* *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 *Here We Have Gathered*

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: In the course of natural history, many groups face hardship and difficulty.
P: Storms are a part of everyone’s lives.
L: In the course of human history, some groups lose out to others.
P: Some claim land as their own that others already call home.
L: In the course of human sinfulness, sometimes deliberate harm is undertaken.
P: We have witnessed warfare, and slavery, and even genocide.
L: But however communities are broken apart and scattered, there’s good news.
P: God is present to our troubles, and always preserves a remnant.
Amen

LET US PREPARE

*HYMN *In Egypt Under Pharaoh* *B574*

UNISON INVOCATION AND LORD’S PRAYER (trespasses)

As members of many communities, whole and broken, let us pray,
“Our Father...Amen.”

LET US LISTEN

READINGS *Romans 11:1-6*
 Luke 12:6-7

HYMN *Amazing Grace* B547

REFLECTION *God Saves a Remnant* *Pastor Mark Harris*

ANTHEM *I Life Up My Eyes* *L.Dengler*

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

LET US RESPOND

GATHERING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Medema*

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.
(twice)

PRAYER
(and once more)

L: Let the people say ...
P: **Amen and Amen.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY *Morning Prayer* *P.I.Tchaikovsky*

*DOXOLOGY B778 (tune: B78o L.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.

*UNISON PRAYER OF THANKS AND DEDICATION

With what we offer, we support the whole People of God, every
community, and every remnant. **Amen.**

LET US GO FORTH

*HYMN *There's a Wilderness in God's Mercy* *R101*

*BENEDICTION

*SEVEN FOLD AMEN *R594*

POSTLUDE *Chaconne in G Minor* *L.Couperin*

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Ministers: **The People**
Pastor: **Mark Harris**
Minister of Music: **Gene Faxon**
Worship Leader: **Carol Hess**
Greeter: **Ben Wheeler**
Set Up: **Lisa Giragosian**
Audio-Visual Expert: **Lisa Giragosian**

*Please join us in the Parish House after worship for coffee, this week provided by
Angela Harris.*

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