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PRELUDE "Nimrod" from Enigma Variations (Edward Elgar)

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

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#### **CONFESSION AND PARDON**

God turns the desert into pools of water and guides those who have gone astray. Let us confess to God the depth of our need, that we may be saved from trouble.

Lord God, only you are holy. Yet we imagine that we are righteous, excusing our own faults while pointing out those of others. We are quick to lay burdens upon our neighbors but slow to help with their own. We take credit and give blame. In spite of the grace you have shown to us, we are slow to show mercy. Forgive us, O God, and wash us clean, that we may serve you with joy and thanksgiving. Amen.

Sisters and brothers, God has made a way where there was no way.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

#### LET US PRAY

Most astounding God, you lead us through deserts and grant us safe crossings. You save us from trouble and deliver us from distress. You satisfy our hunger and quench our thirst with righteousness and mercy. When we lose our way, you pull us back to you and overwhelm us with love. All honor and glory are yours, our master, our teacher, our friend. Amen.

**★**PASSING OF THE PEACE

**★**HYMN OF PRAISE #710

For All the Saints

**★**THE APOSTLES' CREED

**¥**GLORIA PATRI

OFFERING Order My Steps (Burleigh/Schrader)

**₩**DOXOLOGY

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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PSALTER (8:30) #830 Psalm 107:1-9, 33-43

HYMN OF PREPARATION #128 He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought

SCRIPTURE LESSON Joshua 3:7-17

SERMON "What Comes Next?" Rev. Laura Parker

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING UMH #13

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING THE BREAD / GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

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**CLOSING HYMN #707** 

Hymn of Promise

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE Trumpet Tune (Henry Purcell)

★ Stand as able

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of her father, John Hawkins, by Jolene and Jim Schmitt.

The flowers in the narthex were from the wedding of Lee Tonsmeire and Bailey Castle married in our sanctuary on November 4, 2023.

Assisting in Worship Today: Rev. Laura Parker Liturgist: Gene Lammers

Acolytes: (8:30) Anne Frances Bobo (11:00) Evan Jones

**Communion Servers:** (8:30) Mary and Walter Corbitt, Mary Finger, Betty Stejskal (11:00) Aenea Ganey, Jamie Ganey, Kimberly McKeough, Norma Walden

Music Team: Tom Hood, John Richardson, Chancel Choir Stephen Ministers: (8:30) Suzan Christensen, Ann Pearson

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**SERMON** 

"Dry Ground ... Again"

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