

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (B. J. Beu)

*Leader: Behold God in the heavens, stretched out like a tent.*

***People: Hear God's voice in the winds, whispering words of life and love.***

*Leader: Witness God's glory in fire and flame, dancing colors of orange and red.*

***People: Take refuge in God on the mountains, silent, strong, and immovable.***

*Leader: Rest in the wisdom of God, hidden in the clouds above and seas below.*

***People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and bless God's holy name.***

*Leader: Let us be together in worship and praise.*

INVOCATION (B. J. Beu)

***All: God of majesty and might, may your untamable wisdom blow through our lives like a mighty whirlwind, upsetting our self-serving truths and preoccupied ways. Disrupt our sunny assurance of your favor with a thunderous call to serve our neighbor. Stir up a tempest within our hearts, that we may behold the glory of your baptism—a baptism into kindness and compassion, love and generosity of spirit. Clothe us with your love, that we may be a people of hope, a people of prayer, a people of true spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen***

HYMN #278 "Our God, to Whom We Turn"

Our God, to whom we turn When weary with illusion,  
Whose stars serenely burn Above this earth's confusion,  
Thine is the mighty plan, The steadfast order sure,  
In which the world began, Endures, and shall endure.

Thou art Thyself the truth; Though we, who fain would find Thee,  
Have tried, with thoughts uncouth, In feeble words to blind Thee,  
In is because Thou art we're driven to the quest;  
Till truth from falsehood part, Our souls can find no rest.

All beauty speaks of Thee: The mountains and the rivers,  
The line of lifted sea, Where spreading moonlight quivers,  
The deeptoned organ blast That rolls through arches dim,  
Hints of the music vast Of Thine eternal hymn.

Thou hidden fount of love, Of peace, and truth, and beauty,  
Inspire us from above With joy and strength for duty;

May Thy fresh light arise Within each clouded heart,  
And give us open eyes To see Thee as Thou art.

*BAPTISM OF HARPER LOUISE JOHANN*

*Leader: They were bringing children to Jesus, that Jesus might touch them; and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it, Jesus was indignant, and said to them,*

***People: “Let the children come to me, do not hinder them; for to such belongs the realm of God. Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the realm of God like a child shall not enter it.”***

*Leader: ...and the beginning of their growth into full Christian faith and discipleship.*

***People: This is the water of baptism. Out of this water we rise with new life, forgiven of sin, and one in Christ, members of Christ’s body.***

*Leader: ...Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support, and care to the one about to be baptized, as he lives and grows in Christ?*

***People: We promise our love, support, and care.***

*MUSICAL BLESSING: I was there to hear your borning cry,  
I’ll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized,  
To see your life unfold.*

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION*

*SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 10:35-45*

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, ‘Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.’ And he said to them, ‘What is it you want me to do for you?’ And they said to him, ‘Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.’ But Jesus said to them, ‘You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?’ They replied, ‘We are able.’ Then Jesus said to them, ‘The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.’

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, ‘You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and

whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.’

### SERMON

RESPONSE – #354 – “Guide My Feet”

***Guide my feet while I run this race, Guide my feet while I run this race,  
Guide my feet while I run this race, For I don’t want to run this race in vain!***

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Leader: God, in your mercy:*

***People: Hear our prayer.***

### SILENT PRAYER

### THE 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.***

### HYMN #339 - “Be Thou My Vision”

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Nought be all else to me, save that Thou art—  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still by my vision, O Ruler of all.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS/GATHERING OF GIFTS

#### ***Offertory***

### COMMISSION

*Leader: Let us leave here with open hearts, to share God’s unconditional love with all we meet.*

***All: We will go with courage; holding fast to what is good; rendering to no one evil for evil.  
We will strengthen the faint-hearted, support the weak, and help the afflicted.  
Honoring all beings, we will serve God; rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.***

*BENEDICTION*

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE – Go With Us Lord*

*Go with us, Lord, and guide the way  
Through this and every coming day,  
That in Your Spirit, strong and true  
Our lives may be our gift to You.*

*POSTLUDE*