

+ GATHERING AROUND THE WORD +

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✦ **PEACE**

PRELUDE

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Happy are those who do not ridicule and scoff
but who delight in God's teachings and meditate on them day and night.
They are like trees planted by streams of water.
They yield fruit in due season, and their leaves do not wither.

✦ **HYMN #4**

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

CALL TO CONFESSION

The Lord watches over our ways.
Let us put our trust in God's grace and confess our sins.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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God, though you call us to delight in your teachings,
we can become cynical and full of doubt.
Do not judge us, we pray,
but heal us and restore us to you.
Guard us and protect us from evil,
and sanctify us in truth.

[continue in silence, personal confession]

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?
Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.
Know that we are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

✦ **GLORIA PATRI #581**

"Glory Be To the Father"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

+ PROCLAIMING THE WORD +

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Psalm 1

✦ **HYMN #318**

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

✦ **GOSPEL**

John 17:6-19

SERMON

+ RESPONDING TO THE WORD +

✦ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Hymn #481

Apostles' Creed
"I Believe in God the Father"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer [page 35]

O Lord, may we be like trees planted by streams of water.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

✦ DOXOLOGY #606

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+ BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD +

✦ HYMN #697

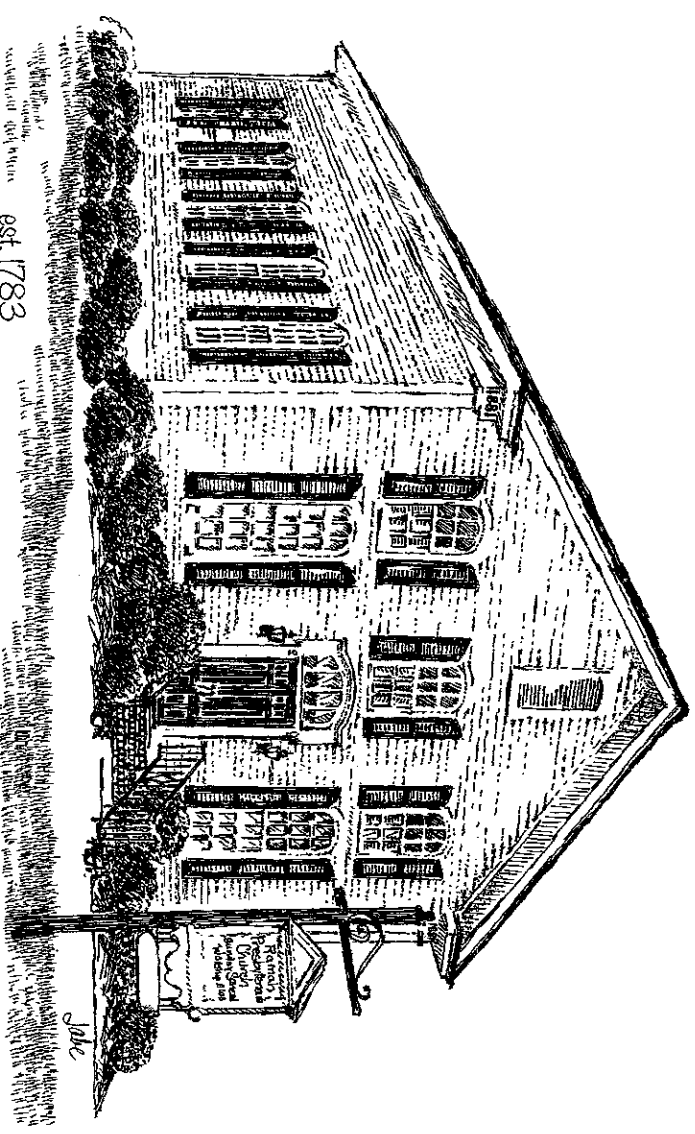
“Take My Life”

✦ BENEDICTION

✦ POSTLUDE

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✦ PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE



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