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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE & CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

(based on Psalm 46) | Elder Frieda Voeks

God is our refuge and strength,

**a help always near in times of great trouble.**

That's why we won't be afraid when the world falls apart,

when the mountains crumble into the center of the sea,

when its waters roar and rage, when the mountains shake because of its surging waves.

**There is a river whose streams gladden God's city,**

**the holiest dwelling of the Most High.**

God is in that city. It will never crumble.

God will help it when morning dawns.

**Nations roar; kingdoms crumble. God speaks; the earth melts.**

The Lord of heavenly forces is with us! The God of Jacob is our place of safety.

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*OPENING HYMN

**A mighty fortress is our God,  
a bulwark never failing.**

**Our helper he, amid the flood  
of mortal ills prevailing.**

**For still our ancient foe  
doth seek to work us woe.**

**His craft and power are great,  
and armed with cruel hate,  
on earth is not his equal.**

**Did we in our own  
strength confide,  
our striving would be losing,  
were not the right man  
on our side,  
the man of God's own choosing.**

**Dost ask who that may be?**

**Christ Jesus, it is he.**

**Lord Sabaoth his name,  
from age to age the same,  
and he must win the battle.**

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* | No. 275

**And though this world,  
with devils filled,  
should threaten to undo us,  
we will not fear, for God hath willed  
his truth to triumph through us.**

**The Prince of Darkness grim,  
we tremble not for him.**

**His rage we can endure,  
for lo, his doom is sure.**

**One little word shall fell him.**

**That word above  
all earthly powers,  
no thanks to them, abideth.**

**The Spirit and the gifts are ours  
through him who with us sideth.**

**Let goods and kindred go,  
this mortal life also.**

**The body they may kill;  
God's truth abideth still.**

**His kingdom is forever.**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.**

*(take a moment to confess your sins silently)*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* | No. 582

**Glory to God,  
whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son,  
whose grace has pardoned me,  
And to the Spirit,  
whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end,  
without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end.  
Amen.  
World without end,  
without end. Amen.  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

*"Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"*  
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## FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34 (CEB)

## SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

John 8:31-36 (CEB)

## SERMON

| Rev. Cindy Carlisle

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *A Declaration of Faith* | 9.3

**We believe Christ gives us and demands of us  
personal lives that are centered in God  
and open to God's reality and rule.**

**Christ teaches us to put obedience to God  
above the interests of self, family, race or nation;  
to offer God joyously our money, ability, and time.**

**Life in God's presence issues in life for others,  
for if we do not love siblings whom we see,  
we cannot love God whom we do not see.**

**\*HYMN**

Sheaves of wheat turned  
by sunlight into gold,  
grapes in clusters,  
like rubies on the vine,

Feed our hearts as the precious  
blood and body of our  
Lord: gifts of heaven  
from earthly bread and wine.

Here we gather to share  
a common meal.

We are harvest by God  
the Sower sown,

Brought together to share the joys and  
sorrows that we  
feel, all refined by  
life's common grinding stone.

*Sheaves of Wheat* | No. 532

As each grain blends to form  
a single loaf,  
or as notes weave  
to shape a single song,

Or as droplets unite within the ocean's depth  
and foam,  
to each other  
as Christians we belong.

At the table of God  
we join to eat,  
and as sisters and brothers  
break the bread.

Fed by faith, hope, and love,  
we sing our joy to all we  
meet, as the body  
of Christ, our living head.

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**COMMUNION**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift our hearts to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Prayers of the People & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors and lead us not  
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and  
the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**Sharing the Lord's Supper**

**Prayer After Communion**

**\*SENDING HYMN**

**"Go, my children, with  
my blessing, never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am  
with you, you are my own.**

**In my love's baptismal river  
I have made you mine forever.  
Go, my children, with  
my blessing, you are my own."**

**"Go, my children, sins  
forgiven, at peace and pure.  
Here you learned how  
much I love you, what I can cure.**

*Go, My Children, with My Blessing* | No. 547

**Here you heard my dear Son's story;  
here you touched him, saw his glory.  
Go, my children, sins  
forgiven, at peace and pure."**

**"Go, my children, fed and  
nourished, closer to me.  
Grow in love and love by serving,  
joyful and free.**

**Here my Spirit's power filled you;  
here my tender comfort stilled you.  
Go, my children, fed and nourished,  
joyful and free."**

**\*CHARGE & BLESSING**

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"  
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## Events & Celebrations

MON   7	TUE   8	WED   9	THU   10
Unity Circle, 6:30PM	Book Club, 6:00PM	Zoom Bible Study, 12:00PM Mission Team 5:00PM Admin, 6:00PM	Hand Bells, 5:30PM Quilter's Guild, 6:30PM
FRI   11	SAT   12	SUN   6	
VETERAN'S DAY BIRTHDAY—Laura Hazelton	BIRTHDAY Karen Rose Fernandez	Sunday Worship, 10:00AM Fellowship Hour, 11:00AM NA of EP, 3:00PM	

## Prayers & Concerns

Eric Regis	Priscilla Scott	Wayne Tallant
Bob Hedicke	Frances Blankinship	Pat Bryant
Mildred Helm	Mr. Munzinger	Larry Springsteen

*Need to add or remove someone from the Prayers/Concerns list? Give us a call at (915) 755-8206 or email us at [office@epgrace.com](mailto:office@epgrace.com) Names will remain on for 30 days, unless we are notified otherwise.*

In order to help keep our community safe,  
***face mask wearing is encouraged during worship.***  
Please check Grace's weekly email to see our current covid-19 policy.

To make an offering online, please scan the QR Code.  
For all offerings given in any form, thank you!



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