∞ Order of Worship April 25, 2021 10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (paraphrased from Psalms 23):

- Leader: God, our shepherd! We don't need a thing.
- People: You have bedded us down in lush meadows, you find us quiet pools to drink from.
- Leader: True to your word, you let us catch our breath and send us in the right direction.
- People: Even when the way goes through Death Valley, we are not afraid.
- Leader: When you walk at our side. Your trusty shepherd's crook makes us feel secure.
- People: You serve us a six-course dinner right in front of our enemies. You revive our drooping head;
- All: Our cup brims with blessing. Your beauty and love chase after us every day of our life. We are back home in the house of God for the rest of our lives.

PRAISE SONG "Forever" v. 1 by Chris Tomlin

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Loving God, we admit we are in trouble, living with lies and illusions; we complain when we should be in prayer, we have more than enough, yet we don't share all and we call for more. Lord, help us to overcome our greed and illusions and see You. We pray You will forgive our sins and purge us of all wrongdoing. Please help us to start the day in Your light, Lord, and to be more loving in all we say, think and do. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Even as we all have sinned,

People: You, Lord, continue to love all creation and bring us to Your Sabbath.

Leader: You, Lord, continue to forgive us and hold us in Your loving family,

People: And lead us as we confess and repent.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE 1 John 3:16-24

CHILDREN'S TIME

SPECIAL MUSIC "All Good Gifts" by Stephen Schwartz (sung by Scott Miller)

SERMON "God's Love"

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER TIME-THANKSGIVING AND PASTORAL

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.

HYMN No. 66 "To God Be the Glory" v. 1

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Forever

Verse 1:

Give thanks to the Lord our God and King; His love endures forever. For He is good, He is above all things; His love endures forever.

Sing praise, sing praise, sing praise, sing praise.

Chorus:

Forever God is faithful, forever God is strong, Forever God is with us, forever, and ever... Forever God is faithful, forever God is strong, Forever God is with us, forever, and ever, forever.

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To God Be the Glory

Verse 1:

To God be the glory – great things He hath done!

So loved He the world that He gave us His Son, Who yielded His life an atonement for sin And opened the Lifegate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice! Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice! O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son, And give Him the glory – great things He hath done!

Text: Fanny J. Crosby Music: *To God Be the Glory*, William H. Doane

Spring Clean-up

Spring Clean-up Day is Saturday, May 1st, starting at 9:00 a.m. Coffee & donuts will be available. If it pours, the rain date will be after services on Sunday, the 2nd so treat it like "Blue Jeans Sunday" and dress appropriately. In that case, those on Zoom can join a few minutes late or maybe listen to the last part of the service by cell phone while driving to church. A list of suggested projects will be in the Fellowship Hall and will also be circulated to the congregation by email. If you do something in advance (like wash windows), please reply back to all on the email or call Dottie Slocum at (607) 220-6833 so others do not duplicate.

<u>Thank You</u>

I would like to thank everyone who gave me cards and gifts for *Administrative Professional Day*. I feel blessed to work with so many wonderful people. Thank you so much! Arlene

Thank You

A big thank you to Chuck and Linda Nydam. The administrative entrance is newly painted and it looks great! Also, take a look at the picture of Jesus that has been donated by Lynne White that is now hanging in the administrative entrance.

Administrative Door

There is a new push button lock on the administrative door. Each person (family) has their own code. Please call Arlene or Dave Parsons to get your personal code.

Hold your palm over the lock and the device will come on, then

punch in your number and hit the * key.

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One Great Hour of Sharing

Thank you to those who have generously supported current Mission Projects. *One Great Hour of Sharing* donations will be continued through the month of May. There are envelopes and information available in the office if you would like to donate. The participation total in 2019 was \$1200. Currently we are only halfway to that goal.