

∞ Order of Worship ∞

December 27, 2020

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE "Noel" by Daquin

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Every word you give me is a miracle word-
how could I but obey?

**People: Break open your words, let the light
shine out, let ordinary people see the
meaning.**

Leader: Steady my steps with your words of promise.

**People: Turn our way, look kindly on us, as you
always do to those who personally love
you.**

PRAISE SONG "Angels We Have Heard on High" v.1

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Have mercy on me, oh God, according to your
unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot
out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and
cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions
and my sin is always before me.**

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC "Friends" by W. Smith and Deborah D. Smith
sung by Scott Miller

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON "Life in Transition"

PASTORAL PRAYER

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. 43 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Yuletide Joy" by Dorothy Wells

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Angels We Have Heard on High

Verse 1:

Angels we have heard on high,
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply
Echo back their joyous strains.

Refrain:

Gloria in excelsis Deo,
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Text: Traditional French carol

Music: *Gloria*, Traditional French melody

Verse 1:

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided –
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Text: Thomas O. Chisolm

Music: *Faithfulness*, William M. Runyan

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Prayers for Joan Van Vranken on the passing of her
husband Andy Seyfried.

Prayers for Bruce and Mark Wright on the passing of their mother
Shirley Wright.