

PRELUDE

WELCOME

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

OPENING PRAYER

INTROIT *Come, My Soul, Thy Suit Prepare* The Foundry Collection 1742CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*) Based on Psalm 146:1-2, 7-10

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long ... who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;

Who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free;

The Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

The Lord watches over the strangers; God upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked God brings to ruin.

The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!*OPENING HYMN # 740 *Lead Me, Guide Me* Doris Akers

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)**Holy God, giver of all that is good, we recognize that you are the source of all that is. The breath of life is a gift from your generous hand. The food we eat is grown in the world you sustain. The community that supports us is called into being by your saving activity. Everything we have is a gift from you. So why do we treat life as though you are parsimonious with us? Why do we believe we must hoard****our blessings? It is our sin that makes us live as though we don't trust your goodness. So forgive us, we pray. Teach us again what it is to rely upon you. Remind us that we are always in your loving care. Fill us with grace and goodwill, that our hearts might overflow from the fullness of your love. Amen.**CHORAL RESPONSE *Twofold Amen*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI Henry W. Greatorex

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*in unison*) From Psalm 19:14**Almighty, eternal God, silence within us every voice but your own. Prepare our hearts to receive your lively word. May your spirit open our minds to receive your inspiration. And having heard your word, may we be doers of the word and not hearers only, through Christ our Lord, Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Luke 16:19-31

SERMON "A Convincing Conversation" Rev. Marcus C. Lambright

*RESPONSIVE HYMN # 30 *O God, in a Mysterious Way* DUNDEE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*in unison*)

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Ave Verum* Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

*DOXOLOGY (HYMN # 606) Old Hundredth

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN # 43 *On Eagle's Wings* Michael Joncas