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Welcome and Outreach Announcements

Prelude **Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated and Sanctuary**

Call to Worship Phyllis Wachunis, Lay Reader

Blessed are those who delight in the law of the Lord,
And meditate on God's word day and night.
They are like trees planted by streams of water which yield their fruit in its season.
Let us worship the Lord, our source of wisdom and strength.

***Gathering Song** **Christ Be Beside Me** **702**

**Christ be beside me;
Christ be before me;
Christ be behind me,
King of my heart.
Christ be within me;
Christ be below me;
Christ be above me,
never to part.**

**Christ on my right hand,
Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me,
shield in the strife.
Christ in my sleeping,
Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising,
Light of my life.**

**Christ be in all hearts
thinking about me;
Christ be on all tongues
telling of me.
Christ be the vision
in eyes that see me;**

*in ears that hear me
Christ ever be.*

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have often acted out of selfish ambition and vain conceit. We have allowed envy and self-interest to guide our actions, rather than the wisdom that comes from above. Forgive us for the times we have caused conflicts and quarrels among ourselves and others. Help us to submit ourselves to you and draw near to your grace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.**

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Scripture Mark 9:30-37 See insert

Anthem I Sing Praises

The Installation of Deacons

Scripture James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a See Insert

Message "Lollipop" Leadership Rev. Edward Dunn

***Responding Song We Believe**

***In this time of desperation
When all we know is doubt and fear
There is only one foundation
We believe, we believe
In this broken generation
When all is dark, You help us see
There is only one salvation
We believe, we believe***

***Refrain: We believe in God the Father
We believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit
And He's given us new life***

***We believe in the crucifixion
We believe that He conquered death
We believe in the resurrection
And He's comin' back again, we believe***

***So, let our faith be more than anthems
Greater than the songs we sing
And in our weakness and temptations
We believe, we believe! (Refrain)***

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.**

Receiving our Offering

***Doxology Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Sending Song**

When Peace like a River

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***When peace like a river
attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
it is well, it is well with my soul.***

Refrain:

***It is well with my soul;
it is well; it is well with my soul.***

***Though Satan should buffet,
though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ hath regarded
my helpless estate,
and hath shed his own blood for my soul. (Refrain)***

***He lives: O the bliss
of this glorious thought.
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! (Refrain)***

*Lord, hasten the day
when our faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;
even so it is well with my soul. (Refrain)*

**Blessing*

Postlude Hark! Ten Thousand Harps & Voices