

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sarah Smith

PRELUDE

Bill Hardie, pianist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sarah Smith

Join the company of the upright in praise and thanksgiving to God.

With our whole hearts we come, marveling at the powerful works of our Creator.

God is gracious and merciful to us, entering into a covenant with all who respond.

In humility and amazement, we answer, for the authority of Christ compels us.

God calls us to a prophetic witness and judges the truth of our words and deeds.

Out of our need for renewal and clearer vision, we are here to remember and learn. Let us worship God together this Sabbath morning!

OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Dan Merry

*OPENING HYMN

"He Touched Me"

Hymnal #628

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sarah Smith

Our minds are never idle, Almighty God, but we are always manufacturing idols. You have called us to lay down our lives for others. We sacrifice the weak and the poor to the gospel of greed. It is our way of life, and we are wholly devoted to it, glad that we are the envy of so many others. We rejoice and feel assured when people and nations race to be baptized in the promises of prosperity and happiness. We are part of the throng who mistake selfish ambition for hope. By Your love which is never idle, redeem us, gracious God. Draw us from our idols. Bind us to yourself. Attach us to one another with bonds of the Holy Spirit.

TIME OF PERSONAL CONFESSION

Psalm 139:23-24

Sarah Smith

Search me, oh God, and know my heart, try me, and know my anxious ways. See if there is any wicked way in me and lead me in the way everlasting. Amen (Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Dan Merry

The Good News this day is that as people who have confessed our sins, the Lord of the Universe has reached down and forgiven us. Know that forgiveness my friends and go forth in peace.
Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI

Hymnal #142

SCRIPTURE

I Corinthians 8:1-13

Sarah Smith

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dan Merry

THE MESSAGE

"Be Careful What You Have for Dinner!"

Rev. Dan Merry

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Blessed Assurance"

Hymnal #67

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

Hymnal #382

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN

"There is Power in the Blood"

COMMISSION & BENEDICTION

Rev. Dan Merry

"GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN"

POSTLUDE

**The congregation will please stand. The bold type indicates congregational response. A/V – Audio/Visual screens CCLI License # 1786884 OneLicense #A-728529*

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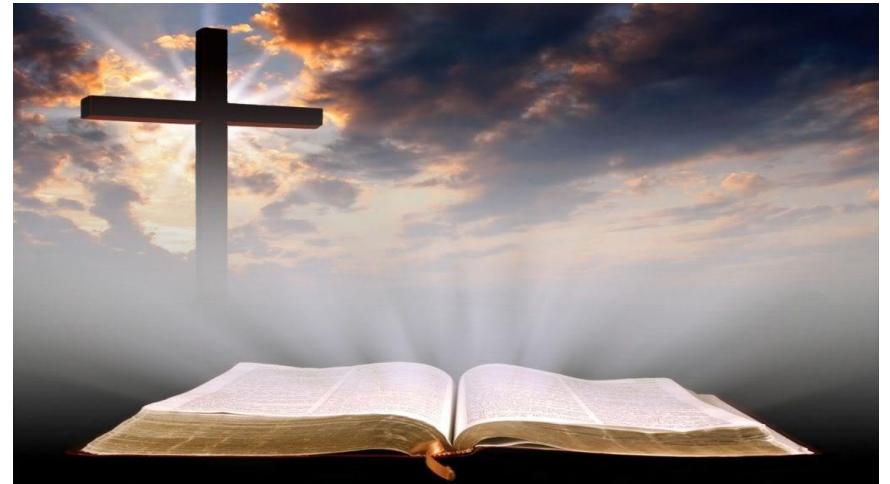
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*“Be careful what you have for
dinner!”*