The liturgical color is purple for Preparation and penitence.

"Prelude and Fugue in e minor" **PRELUDE**

J. S. Bach

CHORAL INTROIT

"I Am Not My Own" Chancel Choir; Bonnie Budziak, accompanist Craig Courtney

WELCOME Adrienne Larkin, liturgist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Today, is a day set apart, a day of rest and praise. **C: In it, God governs our lives before us,**

L: in which we love, and learn, and serve.

C: Jesus Christ has shown us how to eat with others.

L: So we might strive to dine, supp, and break bread

C: with all brothers and sisters.

L: O taste and see that the Lord is good!

C: May we have eyes to see and ears to hear,

L: with lips to sing, and hands to make change.

C: Today, we worship God with the fullness of our being.

*OPENING HYMN

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

UMH 140

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, today at this time of worship, we seek You! O God, open our hearts and minds to your Word and song, that we may receive Holy insight. Be our compass, leading us in the paths of righteousness. Be our guide, helping us discern your will. As we seek chances to "Dine with You", provide us with opportunities to nourishes and strengthens us. Provide

Children are invited to stay in worship or meet in the Narthex to go to Sunday School

SCRIPTURE Psalm 98:4-9 NIV, p. 427

ANTHEM "Jesus Paid It All" Marianne Forman

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK THROUGH CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

MENTOR IN MINISTRY

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

"Appassionata" Canticle Bells Michael W. Joy **OFFERTORY**

*DOXOLOGY #94

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, Whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

As we begin this Lenten journey O God, we offer these gifts with humble hearts. We do not seek the praise of others, but desire to honor you. So draw us closer to your love during this season of renewal. This we pray, Amen.

HYMN OF CENTERING

"All Who Hunger"

Luke 5:27-32 NIV, p. 728

FWS 2126

SCRIPTURE

MESSAGE

"Dinner with Jesus: Celebration"

Rev. Dr. Ivy Smith

*HYMN OF MISSION

"Since Jesus Came Into My Heart"

FWS 2140

*BENEDICTION

"Go Now In Peace" *BENEDICTION SUNG RESPONSE

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

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"Prelude in d minor" **POSTLUDE**

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Altar Flowers are presented by Connie Irvin In Loving Memory of Robert Irvin, Husband, Father, Grandfather, and Great-grandfather

Pulpit Flowers are presented by Geri Kranz & Family In Loving Memory of Dave, Husband, Dad, and Poppa

To order flowers please contact Kathy Fellows at 440.477.4485



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With Blessings, Bill Mueller, bil.mueller.home@gmail.com, 440-463-5540

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