**Confession & Forgiveness**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation. Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: O Lord God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgement on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God hears the cries of all who call out in need and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God’s work in the world. **Amen.  
  
Greeting & Prayer of the Day**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C:  And also with you.**

P:  Let us pray …

O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and waken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**Hear**

*God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*  
**Psalm 78: 1-7**  
Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; **incline your ears to the words of my mouth.** I will open my mouth in a parable; **I will utter dark sayings from of old,** things that we have heard and known, **that our ancestors have told us.** We will not hide them from their children. We will tell to the coming generation **the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.** He established a decree in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, **which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children;** that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, **and rise up and tell them to their children,** so that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, **but keep his commandments.**

Lesson - Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14-25

**Message**

**Hymn of Day   *“If You But Trust in God to Guide You”*  ELW #769**

**Vs. 3 “The Lord our restless hearts is holding, in peace and quietness content. We rest in God’s good will unfolding, what wisdom from on high has sent. God, who has chosen us by grace, knows very well the fears we face.”**

**Vs, 4 “Sing, pray, and keep his ways unswerving, offer your service faithfully. Trust heaven's word; though undeserving, you'll find God's promise true to be. This is our confidence indeed. God never fails in time of need.”**

**Prayers of the Church**

P:  Longing for Christ’s reign to come among us, we pray for the outpouring of God’s power on the church, the world, and all those in need.  *Petitions end: “Hear us O God” Congregation replies “Your mercy is great.”*

**The Lord’s Prayer  
Sharing the Peace** *(remember to use the peace sign or spirit fingers)*P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

**Benediction**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.  
**C: Amen.**

**Bell**

**Sending Hymn *“Here I Am Lord”* ELW #574**

**Vs. 1 “I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin. My hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send? Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart”**

**Vs. 2 “I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have born my peoples pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone. I will speak My word to them, Whom shall I send? Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.”**

**Dismissal**P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

***C:  We will! Thanks be to God!***

**Postlude**

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***A word about offering:*** Thank you in advance for faithfully sending in your offering or using Simply Giving.

**Prayer List:**   
***Those sick or in need of healing***: *Myron, Mary, Laurie, Ronnie, Belwin, Daniel, Emily, Nancy, Kaitee, Taylor, Aniken, Cody, Dottie, Kyle, Ted, Judy, Vincent, Al, Hermoine and Candy.*

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*God invites us to gather in community around the Word*.

**Prelude**

**Welcome & Statio**

**Opening Hymn   *“Faith of Our Fathers”*   ELW #813**

**Vs. 1 “Faith of our fathers! living still In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword. O how our hearts beat high with joy. Whene'er we hear that glorious word! Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to thee till death.”**

**Vs. 2 “Faith of our mothers, daring faith, your work for Christ is love revealed, spreading God's word from pole to pole, making love known and freedom real. Faith of our mothers, holy faith, we will be true to you till death.”**

**Vs. 4 “Faith born of God, oh, call us yet, bind us with all who follow you, sharing the struggle of your cross Until the world is made anew. Faith born of God, O living faith, we will be true to you till death.”**