

Order of Worship
February 28, 2021

PRELUDE

GREETING/PASSING THE PEACE

Cindy Hedges

OPENING HYMN 397

I Need Thee Every Hour

*I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord;
no tender voice like thine can peace afford.*

(Refrain:) *I need thee, O I need thee;
every hour I need thee;
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.*

*I need thee every hour; stay thou nearby;
temptations lose their power when thou art nigh. **(Refrain)***

*I need thee every hour, in joy or pain;
come quickly and abide, or life is vain. **(Refrain)***

*I need thee every hour; teach me thy will;
and thy rich promises in me fulfill. **(Refrain)***

*I need thee every hour, most Holy One;
O make me thine indeed, thou blessed Son. **(Refrain)***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Haley Jones

CHILDREN'S TIME

Tammy Felder

LIGHTING OF THE EMPATHY CANDLE

Rev. Brittany Watson

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.

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 8: 31-38

Becky Williams

SERMON

Rev. David C. Freeman

OFFERTORY

Ron & Jaimee Jensen-McDaniel

A LENTEN PRAYER FOR EMPATHY

Jody Richardson

God, our world is bent and broken, but this didn't stop you from showing your great love for us by sending your son to empathize with us in our weakness. Help me to do likewise. Help me to view each person the way you see them. I recognize that in order to do that, I must be willing to share in the pain of others. Give me the courage to do so and respond with compassion and love. Allow me to be a part of your grace to heal the brokenness in this world. Let empathy and restoration start with me. Amen.

HYMN OF COMMITMENT 396

O Jesus, I Have Promised

Jonathan Hankins-Hull

*O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
be thou forever near me, my Master and my friend.
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.*

*O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me, around me and within;
but Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.*

*O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will.
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.*

*O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee
that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be.
And Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.*

BENEDECTION

Adam Kirby