

# Order of Worship

March 21, 2021

PRELUDE

GREETING/PASSING THE PEACE

Rev. David C. Freeman

OPENING HYMN 128

*He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought*

*He leadeth me: O blessed thought!*

*O words with heavenly comfort fraught!*

*Whate'er I do, where'er I be,*

*still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.*

**Refrain:** *He leadeth me, he leadeth me,*

*by his own hand he leadeth me;*

*his faithful follower I would be,*

*for by his hand he leadeth me.*

*Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom,*

*sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,*

*by waters still, o'er troubled sea,*

*still 'tis his hand that leadeth me. [Refrain]*

*Lord, I would place my hand in thine,*

*nor ever murmur nor repine;*

*content, whatever lot I see,*

*since 'tis my God that leadeth me. [Refrain]*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Haley Jones

CHILDREN'S TIME

Tammy Felder

LIGHTING OF THE EMPATHY CANDLE / PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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

John 12: 20-33

Robert Jackson

SERMON

Rev. Donna Hankins

OFFERTORY

*Be Thou My Vision*

*Tracy Gauffin, Anna Pantzer, Elaine Bultena, Rebecca and Marian Berry*

A LENTEN PRAYER FOR EMPATHY

Angie Stroud

**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

*This is a Day of New Beginnings*

*This is a day of new beginnings,  
time to remember and move on,  
time to believe what love is bringing,  
laying to rest the pain that's gone.*

*For by the life and death of Jesus,  
God's mighty Spirit, now as then,  
can make for us a world of difference,  
as faith and hope are born again.*

*Christ is alive, and goes before us  
to show and share what love can do.*

*This is a day of new beginnings;  
our God is making all things new.*

BENEDECTION

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