

# Order of Worship

March 7, 2021

9:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

GREETING/PASSING THE PEACE

Rev. David C. Freeman

OPENING HYMN 170

*Oh How I Love Jesus*

*There is a name I love to hear,  
I love to sing its worth;  
it sounds like music in my ear,  
the sweetest name on earth.*

***(Refrain:)*** *O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus,  
O how I love Jesus, because he first loved me!*

*It tells of one whose loving heart  
can feel my deepest woe;  
who in each sorrow bears a part  
that none can bear below. **(Refrain)***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. David C. Freeman

CHILDREN'S TIME

Rev. David C. Freeman

LIGHTING OF THE EMPATHY CANDLE

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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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 2: 13-22

Kyle Linson

SERMON

Rev. Brittany Watson

OFFERTORY

*The Church in the Wildwood*  
Kyle Linson & James Stanley

INVITATION

Rev. Brittany Watson

A LENTEN PRAYER FOR EMPATHY

Rev. Brittany Watson

**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 156 I Love to Tell the Story

*I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;  
it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.*

**(Refrain:)** *I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,  
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.*

*I love to tell the story; more wonderful it seems  
than all the golden fancies of all our golden dreams.*

*I love to tell the story, it did so much for me;  
and that is just the reason I tell it now to thee. **(Refrain)***

*I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat  
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet.*

*I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
the message of salvation from God's own holy Word. **(Refrain)***

*I love to tell the story, for those who know it best  
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.*

*And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,  
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. **(Refrain)***

BENEDECTION

Rev. David C. Freeman