



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Congregational Annual Meeting Sunday, January 28 after Service
- Adult Ed Sunday, February 4 after Service "Constantine & The Beginning of Mystical Christianity" with Pastor Scott
- Save the Dates: All Church Rummage Sale is scheduled for June 27-29



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Sunday, January 14, 2024

~ Walter Anderson

AN INCLUSIVE, WELCOMING COMMUNITY OF CHRISTIAN FAITH.
OUR MISSION IS TO MANIFEST CHRIST'S LOVE IN THE WORLD.

TODAY The God of Second Chances



the first and most difficult risk we can take is to be

honest with ourselves.



PRELUDE

When the Saints go Marching In arr. by Mark Hayes

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- Lay Reader: Katie Standish

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

"Sometimes it takes having your perfectly planned life detonate right in front of you to discover what you really want."

~ Tammy L. Gray Love and the Silver Lining

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship the One who calls us.

Here we are, ready or not, called by the One who lived and died and taught us how to live together in peace..

Here we are, ready or not, bringing our everyday selves to praise and to pray, to know the Holy One in the midst of our lives.

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OPENING HYMN

#14 For The Beauty of the Earth

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us offer signs of Christ's peace

to one another.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children and youth are dismissed.

HEBREW TESTAMENT READING

1 Samuel 3:1-18

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called. "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not vet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!"

And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Then the Lord said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever." Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." Eli said, "What was it that God told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that God told you." So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the Lord; let God do what seems good to God."

THEME READING

"I hope they understand that I'm not angry, I'm just saying... Sometimes goodbye is a second chance."

~ Brent Smith of Shinedown

SPECIAL MUSIC

When In Our Music God Is Glorified Words by Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000) Music by Charles V. Stanford (1852-1924) Chancel Choir; Kenn Willson, piano; Steven Schaefer, conductor

SERMON

The God of Second Chances Rev. Scott Dalgarno

RESPONSIVE HYMN

#821 My Life Flows On

CORPORATE PRAYER

by Fred F. Keip
Indwelling God,
infused throughout all existence,
we honor you with many names.
Your realm is within the human heart.
We accept life for all that it can be,
on earth as throughout all creation.
May we continue to draw sustenance
from this earth,
and may we receive forgiveness equal
to our own.
May we ever move from separation
toward union.

OFFERTORY

Amen.

forever and ever.

Give Me Jesus, arr. by Mark Hayes

to live in grace, with love in our hearts,

DOXOLOGY

Through all our living, we our fruits must give.

Good works of service are for offering. When we are giving, or when receiving, We belong to God.

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CLOSING HYMN

#292 As The Wind Song

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

TUNE: MADRID, arr. by Mark Hayes

FELLOWSHIP

