

## Psalm 66:8-20

All you nations, bless our God! Let the sound of God's praise be heard! God preserved us among the living; God didn't let our feet slip a bit. But you, God, have tested us—you've refined us like silver, trapped us in a net, laid burdens on our backs, let other people run right over our heads—we've been through fire and water. But you brought us out to freedom! So I'll enter your house with entirely burned offerings. I'll keep the promises I made to you, the ones my lips uttered, the ones my mouth spoke when I was in deep trouble. I will offer the best burned offerings to you along with the smoke of sacrificed rams. I will offer both bulls and goats. Come close and listen, all you who honor God; I will tell you what God has done for me: My mouth cried out to God with praise on my tongue. If I had cherished evil in my heart, my Lord would not have listened. But God definitely listened. God heard the sound of my prayer. Bless God! God didn't reject my prayer; God didn't withhold his faithful love from me.

## John 14:15-21

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. I will ask God, and God will send another Companion, who will be with you forever. This Companion is the Spirit of Truth, whom the world can't receive because it neither sees God nor recognizes God. You know God, because God lives with you and will be with you. I won't leave you as orphans. I will come to you. Soon the world will no longer see me, but you will see me. Because I live, you will live too. On that day you will know that I am in God, you are in me, and I am in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them loves me. Whoever loves me will be loved by God, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."



**Sunday May 10, 2026 – 9:00 am**

*\*Please stand if it is comfortable for you*

PRELUDE

WELCOME & GREETING

SONG OF BEGINNING

*Come We That Love the Lord*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us give thanks...

**People: For families who work hard to be a family that is caring and supportive and who help other families gain strength.**

Leader: Let us pray...

**People: For families who experience abuse, separation, hardship, illness and homelessness.**

Leader: Let us speak...

**People:** For families who are judged wrongly, who are caught in a system of mistrust and greed and for whom the world is a cold and uncaring place.

Leader: Let us seek guidance...

**People:** For families who read the Scriptures, pray together, worship together and seek to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.

**All:** Loving God, we are your children. Help us remember the message of justice, of peace, of hope and of love, so that those messages may be present in our homes, in our communities and in our world. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 66:8-20

\*HYMN *Take My Life, and Let It Be,* No. 399  
vs. 1 & 3 Red Hymnal

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Michael James Hein

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER

WITNESSING GOD'S LOVE TO OUR CHILDREN

*Children Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade may go to Children's Church. Pre-K through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade go to the Nursery and 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade go to classroom E-8.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Loving God, it is with humble hearts that we confess how often we are so wrapped up in ourselves and our own needs that we completely miss or ignore the needs and pain of others. We know all too well how feeble is our commitment to your Easter joy and how broken is our witness to your call upon our lives to care for one another. Turn our doubts into affirmations and our fears into possibilities. May your wisdom be upon us as we show your love through our actions that share the good news of your grace and mercy. Now, open us to the gift of your presence as we make our silent confessions (silent confession)

\*SUNG RESPONSE *Seek Ye First,* No. 405  
vs. 1 Red Hymnal

MINISTRY OF MUSIC *Rejoice, the Lord is King!*

SCRIPTURE READING John 14:15-21

SERMON *Love That Listens*

\*HYMN *Now Thank We All Our God,* vs. No. 102  
1-2 Red Hymnal

A TIME FOR PRAYER

OFFERING OUR LIVES AND OUR BLESSINGS

Invitation

Offertory

\*Doxology No. 94 Red Hymnal

\*CLOSING BLESSING

\*SUNG RESPONSE

*May You Run and Not  
Be Weary*

No. 2281  
Black Hymnal

POSTLUDE

Participating in Worship:

Rev. Jenny Arneson, Pastor

Kathy Williams, Reader

Terry Twedell, Children's Time

Singing Churchmen, Music; Stephanie Klein, Director; Marilyn Silvester, Piano

Sue Lundeen, Organist