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As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.

Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.

"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE Caroline Haines, Harp

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CHORAL INTROIT "Let All That Dwell Below the Skies" – Young Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 86

Leader: Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth;

give me an undivided heart to revere Your name.

People: I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,

and I will glorify Your name forever.

\*HYMN "Come, Christians Join to Sing" No. 150

## \*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

God of eternal goodness and love, We praise You for loving us from before our conception to the day we cross over into Your eternal kingdom and thank You that nothing can separate us from Your love. We confess being numbed by the overwhelming need around us. We care so much that it hurts our heads and our hearts and we risk being accused of not loving, not caring, and not hearing the call to Your service. We fear that we do not have enough or that we are not enough to make a difference. Forgive us. Forgive us for forgetting that You have and will continue to give us more than enough. We open our spirit to Yours so that we can experience the joy in serving You. In the name of Your first servant, and our brother in service, Jesus Christ. Amen.

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]

\*HYMN

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(For those who wish, children grades 1-4 can leave for children's church at this time.)

MINISTRY IN MUSIC Caroline Haines, Harp

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING 2 Samuel 12:1-7 (OT p285)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 8:33-37 (NT p158)

SERMON Romans: Faith for Dummies Rev. Robert Bronkema

**Pieces of Eight** 

"More Than Conquerors"

\*HYMN "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" No. 310

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY Caroline Haines, Harp

\*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*HYMN "Arise, Your Light Is Come" No. 411

\*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

POSTLUDE "Fanfare in A Minor" – Osterstaad

**Next Week** 

Genesis 6:1-8 Romans 8:38-39

"Nothing Can Separate Us From the Love of God"

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## 11:00am

**Greeting & Announcements** 

*Praise & Worship  At Your Name  Jesus Loves Me  Revelation Song
Prayer & Peace
Children's Message (For those who wish, children grades 1-4 can leave for children's church at this time.)
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Sermon: Romans: Faith for Dummies / Pieces of Eight  "More Than Conquerors"
*Offering/Closing Song Strong God
*Benediction
SERMON NOTES: