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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Nearer, My God to Thee/In The Secret

We Gather in the Word

Call to Worship

Frank Jenkins, Lay Reader

Surely the Lord is in this place, and we did not know it.

We do not know when and where God's glorious presence will show up.

We are the Body of Christ.

We cannot say to one another, I have no need of you

God is a mystery that cannot be contained.

Let us worship our unpredictable and uncontrollable God!

**Gathering Song Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 65*

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but thou art mighty. Hold me with thy powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.

*Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing
stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me
all my journey through. Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength my and shield.*

*When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious
fears subside. Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me
safe on Canaan's side. Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to thee; I will ever give to thee.*

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Lord, you have searched us and found us wanting. You have known our thoughts and called us to better things. You have set us in this world to love and serve you by loving and serving one another.

When we fail, you do not abandon us. When we go astray, call us back home. Search us O God, and know our hearts. Lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end, Amen, Amen.*

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Scripture	"The Blessing"	from Genesis 27
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Special Music

Scripture	Genesis 28:10-19a	Pew Bible, Page 20
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Message	Sacred Ground	Rev. Edward Dunn
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We Respond to the Word

*Responding Song	<i>Change My Heart, O God</i>	695
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*Change my heart, O God; make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.
You are the Potter; I am the clay.
Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.*

Prayers of the People

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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Receiving Our Offering

*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.*

*Prayer of Dedication

**Sending Song 10,000 Reasons*

*Refrain: Bless the Lord, O my soul,
O my soul, worship His holy Name.
Sing like never before, O my soul.
I'll worship Your holy Name.*

*The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;
it's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
let me be singing when the evening comes. (Refrain)*

*You're rich in love and You're slow to anger,
your Name is great and Your heart is kind;
for all Your goodness I will keep on singing,
ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. (Refrain)*

*And on that day when my strength is failing,
the end draws near and my time has come;
still my soul sings Your praise unending,
ten thousand years and then forevermore. (Refrain)*

**Blessing*

Postlude Holy, Holy, Holy

You are invited to attend our Ice Cream Social in the Fellowship Hall after worship.

**Please stand as you are able*