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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude It's All About You/ Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Call to Worship

Frank Jenkins, Lay Reader

God reigns, let the earth be glad: **Let the distant shores rejoice.** The heavens proclaim his righteousness, **And the people see his glory.** Rejoice in the Lord, you who are righteous, **Praise God's holy name.**

*Gathering Song Everlasting God

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord; we wait upon the Lord Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord; we wait upon the Lord

Our God, you reign forever; Our hope, our strong deliverer

You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God You do not faint; you won't grow weary. You're the defender of the weak, you comfort those in need You lift us up on wings like eagles.

Merciful God, you desire that the world might see your light shine through us. Yet we confess we are blinded by the glittering temptations of this world. We turn from your way. We hurt the very ones we were called to serve. We grow frustrated with each other, seeking to silence anything but our own desires. Forgive us. Melt us and mold us into more faithful disciples reflecting your mercy and sharing your grace. Amen.

^{*}Call to Confession

^{*}Prayer of Confession

*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

Bible Story A Big Picnic, based on Matthew 14:13-21 Pew Bible, p.692

Special Music Eternal Life Debbie Grubb

Scripture: Matthew 14:22-33 Pew Bible, p.692

Message Boating Season Rev. Edward Dunn

*Responding Song Our God

Water you turned into wine, opened the eyes of the blind There's no one like you; none like you. Into the darkness you shine, out of the ashes we rise There's no one like you; none like you.

Refrain: Our God is greater, our God is stronger God, you are higher than any other. Our God is healer, awesome in power; Our God, our God

And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us And if our God is with us, then what could stand against And if our God is for us then who could ever stop us And if our God is with us, then what could stand against What could stand against. (Refrain)

Prayers of the People

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 Love Divine All Loves Excelling

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Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven, to earth come down, Fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, thou art all compassion; pure unbounded love thou art;

Visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every trouble breast; Let us all in thee inherit; let us find the promised rest. Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be; End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver; let us all thy life receive; Suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, Pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be; Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee; Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place Till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

*Blessing

Postlude

Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart