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8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE



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WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

PRAISE *Mighty to Save
Great is Thy Faithfulness
Bless the Lord Oh My Soul*

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Sharing and Responding to God's Word

SONG OF ILLUMINATION *Jesus Loves Me Alleluiah*

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OFFERING SONG *Breathe*

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION *Come Just As You Are*

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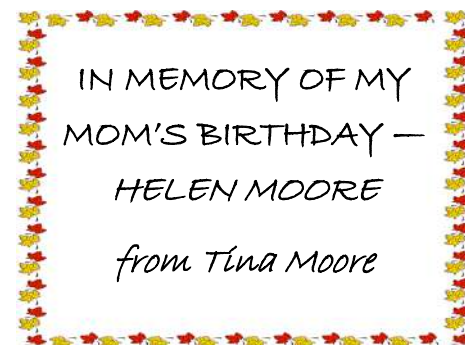


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---Psalm 51:10-12*

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PRELUDE *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* Gilbert Martin

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

The time is coming, a time for love.
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Even though we know that death will come,
We serve the God of life.
Until death comes to end of our days,
we will live in service and love each and every day.
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*OPENING HYMN *Holy, Holy, Holy* No. 64

OPENING PRAYER

**Since the ancient days of Moses and Jeremiah,
you have called us to offer our love,
for you are the God of love.
In the life and teachings of Jesus,
you have called us to choose life,
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Even as we face the stories of your last days on this earth,
remind us of your never-ending call to abundant love.
Even as we acknowledge that death is a part of life,
help us embrace the hope of everlasting life
in your love and grace, we pray. Amen.**

HANDBELL ANTHEM *Sunshine and Shadow* Margaret R. Tucker

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Leonard Lutz

Nursery care is available.

Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers at this time.

A TIME OF PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer *O Lord, Hear My Prayer* TFWS # 2200
 Congregational Prayer
 Choral Response *O Lord, Hear My Prayer* TFWS # 2200

CHORAL ANTHEM *We are Not Alone* Pepper Choplin

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 31:31-34
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HYMN (remain seated) *What Wondrous Love is This* No. 292
 verses 1-3

SERMON *GOD LOVES YOU: Believe*

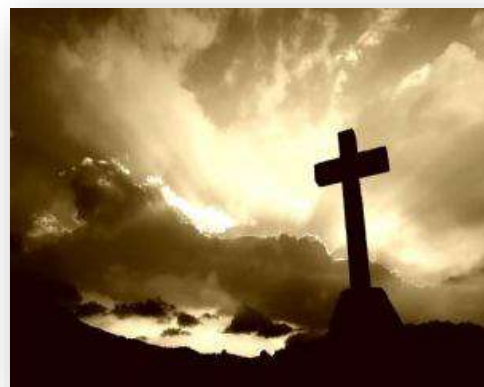
OFFERING
 Invitation to the Offering
 Offertory *Quem Pastores* Healey Willan
 *Doxology/Blessing of the Offering
*Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost*

*CLOSING HYMN *In the Cross of Christ I Glory* No. 295
 verses 1-3, 5

*BENEDICTION
 In the life of Christ Jesus, we are given new life.
 In the love of God, we are given abundant love.
 In the Spirit of God, we are given the spirit of grace.
 Go now to give life, sharing God's life, love,
 and grace with the world.

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Irish Blessing* Ella Craig

POSTLUDE *A Melody by Melchior Vulpius* Healey Willan



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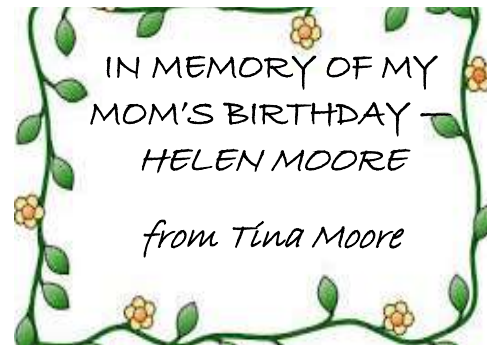
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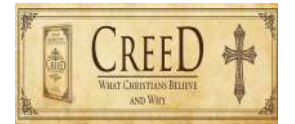
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