Order of the Worship Service October 13, 2024, 10:00am Praise and Family Worship Sunday! John Welton, preaching

*Opening Praise Songs

HOSANNA (PRAISE IS RISING), STARS

Welcome and Church Life

*Call to Worship Psalm 118

One: Though we have known hardship and pain, though life has not always turned out as we had hoped, we will stand here and say:

All: God's steadfast love endures forever!

One: Though life becomes more complex, the deepest questions remain unanswered, and the mystery of faith deepens, we will say:

All: God's steadfast love endures forever!

One: And though the pain of the world often seems more than we can bear or address, we will stand firm in our faith and say:

All: God's steadfast love endures forever!

*Opening Song of Praise

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL NAME

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Gracious God, your promise is forever true, your care for us is sure. We confess that we have often believed we will have to take care of ourselves, forgetting your promise and your call. We look at the world, and we choose fear rather than hope and love. When it seems life is unraveling, we look for ways to defend ourselves and ensure our security and our desire, rather than following your way. Forgive us, Lord, and give us courage to hope—and to act on hope—in the face of fear. Amen.

Moments of Silence

Assurance of Pardon

One: Persistently, patiently, lovingly,
God pours out grace and joy into our lives,
healing our brokenness, forgiving our sin.
All: Loved, we are sent to love;
Forgiven, we are freed to forgive;
Graced, we can offer our gifts to everyone we meet.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

Moment for Youth

*Passing the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you!

All: And also with you!

Giving of our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

*Song of Preparation BREATHE

Scripture Reading Genesis 41:37-67

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Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

*Song of Dismissal They'll Know We Are Christians

Blessing