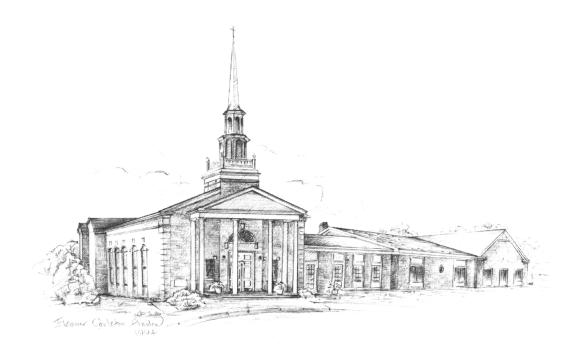
"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, in-a my heart. Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart, in-a my heart. I just want to be like Jesus, in-a my heart, in-a my heart. Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart, in-a my heart.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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PRELUDE "Prelude in C" by Cesar Franck

Dave Howland

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Joel K. Boyd

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Minister: May the peace of the Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Minister: Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

CHORAL INTROIT

*Stand in body or spirit

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 19:1–2, 7–8a) (read responsively)

Michele Fecht

Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of His hands.

Congregation: Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.

Leader: The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the LORD are

trustworthy, making wise the simple.

Congregation: The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart.

*GATHERING HYMN

"Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult" #314

*INVOCATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

Michele Fecht

(adapted from The Congregational Worshipbook)

Creator God, we pray for Your presence with us as we are gathered here for worship. Grant that the praise of our lips, the prayer of our hearts, and the preaching of Your Word may be acceptable in Your sight, our strength and our Redeemer. Be with us by the Spirit, as we pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

"Holy Ground" #554

SUNDAY SCHOOL MOMENT

Colleen Foster

(Children are released to Sunday School.)

SCRIPTURE READING Proverbs 1:20-33 | Page #584 OT

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" Traditional arr. by Paul Christiansen

(See lyrics on back page)

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Joel K. Boyd

CHORAL AMEN

OFFERTORY "Blessed Assurance" arr. by Dave Howland Dave Howland

*DOXOLOGY (sing in unison) #563

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavn'ly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*OFFERING PRAYER

SERMON SCRIPTURE READING Mark 8:27-38 | Page #43 NT

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Michele Fecht

Sanctuary Choir

Minister: This is the Gospel message of our Savior. Congregation: **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

CHORAL RESPONSE

SERMON "Our Crosses" Rev. Joel K. Boyd

***SENDING HYMN** "Give Me Jesus" #346

*BENEDICTION Rev. Joel K. Boyd

POSTLUDE "Come, Thou Almighty King" arr. by Albert Travis Dave Howland

MUSICIANS: Dave Howland, Sanctuary Choir and Danny Reeves
TECHNICIAN: Scott Hokett | GREETER: Denise Parr | LITURGIST: Michele Fecht

Following this morning's worship service, all are invited to join us in Fellowship Hall for a time of refreshment and fellowship. This morning's hosts are Carol Riddell and Sandy Terry.