### Order of Service

November 12, 2023 10:00 a.m.

Prelude "Christus, der ist mein Leben"

Johann Gottfried Walther

Welcome

Call to Worship (inspired by Psalm 27:1, 4-9)

Our present God dwells in the sanctuary and in homes, in public spaces and our interior lives.

Behold the greatness of the Holy One in the expansiveness of these sacred spaces.

We seek God's face on Sunday mornings and evenings...and throughout the week.

Live in the presence of the Holy One all the days of our lives.

We call out for God's grace, strength, and guidance.

Seek the face of the Holy One. Recognize God's greatness.

Anthem "Wait on the Lord" Henry Hinnant Gospel Lesson Matthew 4:18-23 (pew bible pg. 1500)

A Word for All Ages

The Prayer of Our Savior

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.

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 7:24-29

(pew bible pg.1506)

Sermon

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

O Lord, forgive us when we fail to respond to your call with faith.

Through your Spirit we stand in the assurance of your acceptance.

Forgive us when we are shackled by our narrow understandings of discipleship and our clouded sense of purpose.

Through your Spirit we are drawn into the illumination of your empowering love.

Forgive us when we are frightened of the future or pull back from the demand of your calling. Forgive us when we fail to sense your presence in our past, to acknowledge your grace in the present moment, and to trust you for our future.

Through your Spirit we offer ourselves in discipleship. We stand together as your disciples to follow your teachings, to seek renewal and a renewing faith.

Words of Affirmation

Hymn No. 322 "Jesus Call Us, O'er the Tumult"

Morning Prayers & Offering

Hymn No. 391 "Be Thou My Vision"

Blessing Postlude Today's Greeters: Barbara Janczunski

Today's Sunday School Volunteers: Karin Brooks, Sally Vincent

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• Use your mobile device by downloading the free Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app

## **TCC Prayers and Blessings:**

The family and friends of Ruth Church, on her passing.

Jim Stewart; Becky McGrath; Karen Antonio; Pat Wedge; Mal Haskins; Margaret Blake; Richie Chiasson; Lynne Haskins, sister of Melanie Stewart

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## or where you are on life's journey...

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