



**SEPTEMBER 13**  
**9 A.M.**

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

One: May the grace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with each  
and everyone of you.

People: **And also with you.**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

One This morning's response to the call is, "Take my life and use me, Lord  
Jesus",

One: When things are hard, and I can't find the way,

**All: Take my life and use me, Lord Jesus**

One: When my heart is hard and all I want is my own comfort and security,

**All: Take my life and use me, Lord Jesus**

One: When I deem others unworthy of grace,

**All: Take my life and use me, Lord Jesus**

One: When I am weary, and I just want to give up,

**All: Take my life and use me, Lord Jesus**

**\*HYMN: "To God Be the Glory"**

#### **\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

Leader: My friends,, not out of dread or fear, but believing that God is faithful to forgive, let us rid ourselves of what we no longer need to carry.

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**All: Holy and gracious God, your commandments are simple and direct, to love you with our whole being, and to love our neighbor as ourselves, yet we fail to do so. We let judgment and condemnation, dehumanization and demeaning thoughts guide us, instead of seeking and seeing your beloved image in those we don't understand. We seek to love only those we agree with and who love us in return. Break our hearts open with compassion and love for all of your people, that we might more truly follow you.**

#### **SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

#### **\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: God forgives you. Be at peace.

**People: In Jesus Christ we are restored!**

**\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE "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 OF THE PEACE**

As we share the peace with one another, please feel free to toot your car horn, wave, throw an air kiss or a long distance hug, text a friend, let people know they are loved!

Leader: Having been assured of God's forgiveness and peace, let us share a sign of Christ's peace with one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**                  Jonah

**SERMON**                                  "Unexpected Change"  
Rev. Cynthia Wunder

**\*HYMN**                                      "Take My Life"

### **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH ~ The Belhar**

**We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells. We believe that God's lifegiving Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also of irreconciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity, that God's lifegiving Word and Spirit will enable the church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities of life for society and the world.**

### **Prayers of the People**

**Our Father, which 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, lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen**



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