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*We embrace our call to love and serve Jesus Christ
as we cultivate community and empower our neighbors.*

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A Service of Divine Worship on the Lord's Day

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song: *Trading My Sorrows*

*Call to Worship:

Liturgist: Let us worship the eternal God, the source of love and life, who created us.

People: Let us worship Jesus Christ, the risen one, who lives among us.

Liturgist: Let us worship the Spirit, the holy fire, who renews us.

People: We praise God in all times and places, through the grace of Jesus Christ.

***Opening Hymn:** *Sanctuary*

Please be seated.

A Call to Confession (Liturgist)

God is at work in us to transform us in heart, mind, and will. We confess to embrace God's holy work and be transformed.

Unison Prayer of Confession (prayed aloud by all)

O God of winter's clouds and spring's blue skies, You work in the seasons of life to make us new. We confess that we have not always welcomed the life you offer. We are distracted by our busy days, and, feeling safe in the worn paths of our lives, we resist change.

Silent Confession *Please take a moment for silent confession*

Asking for God's Forgiveness

Liturgist: Let us now ask God's forgiveness.

People: Forgive us, O Lord, for refusing your blessing. Help us attend to the new life which yearns for birth in us, and reveal the opportunities for growth which come in conflict and in peace, in pain and in pleasure. For the sake of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Liturgist: All the prophets testify about Christ that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name. Believe and live in this good news!
People: Thanks be to God!

Sung Response to Confession: *Open Our Eyes, Lord*

*Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.
To reach out and touch Him and say that we love Him.
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.*

***Passing the Peace of Christ, Sharing in Christ's Welcome**

Liturgist: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And, also with you.

Liturgist: Let us stand and share the peace of Christ with one another.

(Congregation shares peace with one another in the pew, over the phone, across the screen.)

Anthem:

Children's Moment

Prayer for Illumination

Our Lord and our God, now as we hear your Word, fill us with your Spirit. Soften our hearts that we may discern your ways. Fill us with your light. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Scripture Lesson Romans 8:18-30

The Message: *Do All Things Really Work Together for the Good?*

Hymn of Affirmation: *Take My Life, verses 1-3*

Offertory

Thanksgiving in Song:

*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, Amen.*

Celebrating the Lord's Table

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord is with us always.

God's love dwells within us and brings us peace.

May you always feel the joy of God in your heart.

May we also be so bold to share that joy with others.

Give thanks to God for unconditional love.

We lift our hearts in joy and thanksgiving.

We give you thanks, O God, for the gift of life in all its forms. For the breath we take, the earth beneath our feet, the stars above our heads, and the sacred rhythm of the seasons. We thank you for the mystery of being, for the beauty of the mountains, and the depth of the oceans, for the songs of the birds, and the stillness of the night. You have woven us into the fabric of your creation, each of us a thread, each of us a reflection of your image.

For the Beauty of the Earth, verse 1

We give you thanks, O God, for your Son, Jesus, who taught us how to live the way you want us to. He taught us how to be kind and how to reach out when others are in need. He taught us that we are never alone and we are never too far gone to be redeemed. He taught us that we belong to you. Through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son, you have shown us the way to love, the path to reconciliation, and the hope of eternal life.

You Are Mine, Refrain

Words of Institution

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and juice, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ and with all who are baptized in his name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

We give you thanks, O God, for the Spirit's presence among us, guiding, comforting, inspiring, moving in and through us like the wind, filling the spaces where we are open, making all things new. In this moment, we offer ourselves to you, our hearts, our hands, our voices, our joys and our sorrows, our victories and our struggles. We give thanks for the grace that sustains us, the peace that surrounds us, and the hope that carries us forward. May we live each day as an offering, grateful for your gifts, faithful in our response, and loving toward all.

The Lord's Prayer:

*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.*

Sharing the Feast Together

Prayer of Thanksgiving

***Sending Hymn:**

Take My Life, vs 4-6

Congregational Meeting

***Charge and Benediction**

Trading My Sorrows

Words and Music by
Darrell Evans

A musical score for 'Trading My Sorrows' in G major, 4/4 time. The score consists of eight staves of music with lyrics and chords indicated below the notes. The chords used are G, C, Em, and D. The lyrics are as follows:

1. I'm trad-ing my sor - rows, I'm trad-ing my shame.
2. I'm lay-ing them down for the joy of the Lord.
3. I'm trad-ing my sick - ness.
4. I'm trad-ing my pain.
5. I'm lay-ing them down for the joy of the Lord.
6. Yes, Lord, yes, Lord yes, yes Lord.
7. 2nd time, end.
8. Yes, Lord, yes, Lord yes, yes, Lord; Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes, Lord, A-men.
9. I am pressed but not crushed, per-se - cu-ted, not a-ban-doned, struck down, but not de-
10. - stroyed; I am blessed be - yond the curse, for His prom-ise will en-dure, that His
11. joy's gon-na be my strength. Though the sor - row may last for the night, His joy
12. comes with the morn - ing.

Lord, Prepare Me

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Sanctuary

Sanctuary

The musical score consists of three staves of music in 4/4 time, key of G major (two sharps). The first staff starts with A7, followed by D, then a section with lyrics. The second staff starts with G, followed by Em7, then lyrics. The third staff starts with A, followed by A7, then lyrics. The lyrics are: "Lord, prepare me to be a sanctu - ar - y, pure and ho - ly, tried and true. With thanks - giv - ing, I'll be a liv - ing sanctu - ar - y for you." Chords are indicated above the staff: A7, D, Em7, D, A, A7, D, A, G, A7, D.

Take My Life

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1 Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al-ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with-hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as



cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.



5 Take my will and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne,
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure store;
 take myself and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee,
 ever, only, all for thee.