

OFFERING

Many in our community give their tithes and offerings online (rescov.org/give) and yet we believe it is still good and right to give God thanks as part of our worship. If you have offering this morning you are welcome to place it in the basket in the center aisle as we give God thanks.

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

As we continue to navigate the implications of Covid we invite you to come down the center aisle, receive the bread and then proceed to the front side aisles to partake of the cup which is in individual portions. Place your empty cups in one of the baskets that can be found on the end-seats in the front rows of the side aisles.

SENDING

SONG* - Guide My Feet

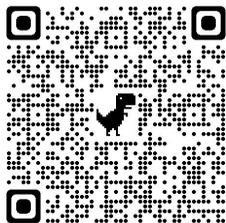
Guide my feet while I run this race.
Guide my feet while I run this race.
Guide my feet, while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain.

2. Hold my hand...
3. Stand by me...
4. Set me free...

CHARGE & BLESSING*

*Stand, as you are able

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GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP* (*adapted from Rev. Chris Shelton*)

Moses and Miriam led the people in song:

**I will sing unto the Lord, for God has triumphed gloriously;
horse and rider God has thrown into the sea.**

Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods?

**Who is like you, majestic in holiness,
awesome in splendor, doing wonders?**

In steadfast love you led the people.

You brought them and planted them on your own mountain.

You made your home with them,

Your people are your sanctuary.

Come and worship the God who reigns forever and ever!

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON (I)

Exodus 14:5-7 10-14

SONG* - Stand, Oh Stand Firm

Stand, oh, stand firm.
Stand, oh, stand firm.
stand, oh stand firm,
and see what the Lord can do.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON (II)

Exodus 14:21-29

SONG* - Go Down, Moses

1. When Israel was in Egypt's land.
Let my people go.
Oppressed so hard they could not stand.
Let my people go.

Refrain:
Go down, Moses
way down in Egypt's land,
tell old Pharaoh to let my people go.

2. The Lord told Moses what to do,
Let my people go.
to lead the Hebrew children through,
Let my people go.

3. As Israel stood by waterside,
Let my people go.
at God's command it did divide.
Let my people go.

4. When they had reached the other shore,
Let my people go.
they let the song of triumph soar,
Let my people go.

5. Lord, help us all from bondage flee,
Let my people go.
and let us all in Christ be free,
Let my people go.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(adapted from Katherine Hawker)*

The Pharaoh decrees death to the foreigner.
The power of fear and hate surround us.
In the face of evil
Forgive us our complacency.
The burning bush flickers beside us.
The presence of God invites us.
In the presence of the holy
Forgive us our lack of notice.

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (cont.)

The Red Sea waters stand at attention.
The threshold of grace is breath-taking.
In the company of grace
Forgive us our hesitancy to embrace freedom.
Come again to deliver us, O God,
that we may be free to love and serve you.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel;
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

PASSING OF THE PEACE*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

SONG* - Freedom Reigns

Where the Spirit of the Lord is,
there is freedom. (2x)

If you're tired and thirsty,
there is freedom. (2x)

Refrain:
Freedom reigns in this place,
showers of mercy and grace,
they are falling on every face,
there is freedom.

GOSPEL LESSON*

Matthew 2:13-15

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Pastor Aaron

RESPONSE

SONG* - Lead On, O Cloud of Presence (#419)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER