

**Order of Worship**  
**February 20, 2022**

**Meditation** - Colossians 1:19-20

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

**Songs of Adoration – 2**

**Call to Worship** – Psalm 89:1-8 (*Responsive Reading*)

L: I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever;

C: with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

L: For I said, “Steadfast love will be built up forever;

C: in the heavens you will establish your faithfulness.”

L: You have said, “I have made a covenant with my chosen one;

I have sworn to David my servant:

C: I will establish your offspring forever, and build your throne for all generations.”

L: Let the heavens praise your wonders, O LORD, your faithfulness  
in the assembly of the holy ones!

C: For who in the skies can be compared to the LORD?

Who among the heavenly beings is like the LORD,

L: a God greatly to be feared in the council of the holy ones,  
and awesome above all who are around him?

ALL: O LORD God of hosts, who is mighty as you are, O LORD,  
with your faithfulness all around you?

**Prayer of Adoration**

**Confession of Sin**

Lord, our hearts are restless. They are deceitful and full of sin. Yet You are gracious because of Christ. Lord, we ask that our hearts find rest in You. Here are our hearts, Lord. We offer them to You, promptly and sincerely, for the sake of Your Son. Amen.

*(adapted from Augustine and Calvin)*

**Assurance of Pardon**

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

*(Isaiah 40:1-2)*

## **Songs of Worship – 2**

### **Offering and Doxology**

#### **Old Testament Reading – Deuteronomy 32:1-4**

Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak, and let the earth hear the words of my mouth. May my teaching drop as the rain, my speech distill as the dew, like gentle rain upon the tender grass, and like showers upon the herb. For I will proclaim the name of the LORD; ascribe greatness to our God! The Rock, his work is perfect, for all his ways are justice. A God of faithfulness and without iniquity, just and upright is he.

*Reader: "The Word of the Lord"*

*Congregation: "Thanks Be to God"*

### **Baptism**

#### **Dismissal of Children to Children's Church**

### **Announcements**

#### **Song of Preparation – 1**

#### **Sermon Text – 1 John 1:8 - 2:2**

<sup>1:8</sup> If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup> If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup> If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

<sup>2:1</sup> My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. <sup>2</sup> He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

**Sermon – "Sin, Confession, and Forgiveness"**

#### **Song of Response – 1**

### **Benediction**