* Offertory Prayer

Rev. Andrea Andress

* Hymn of Preparation Precious Lord, Take My Hand Hymnal 474

Scripture *Ruth 1: 1-5, 11-14, 19-22*

Dave Hepburn

Leader: God's Word for God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Reboot

"After a Terrible Loss" Rev. Andrea Andress

* Hymn of Commitment How Firm a Foundation Hymnal 529

* Benediction Rev. Andrea Andress

Postlude

Communion is available at the rail following the service.

Chancel flowers are given by Mickey & Betty Price in celebration of their anniversary on August 14.

Clergy and Worship Leaders

Rev. Dr. Dave Summers, Senior Pastor

Rev. Andrea Andress, Deacon and Director of Spiritual Formation and Discipleship

Rev. Brenda Smith, Deacon and Director of Family Ministry

Christopher Wurpts, Youth Ministries Director

Dr. Ashley Snavley, Music and Arts Ministries Director and Organist

Dr. Andria Fennig, Worship Accompanist/Director of Contemporary Worship Arts

Thomas Strawser, Assistant Music Director

Assisting Today

Ushers: William Hatcher, Wilma Lund, Fran & Dick Wardell

Audio: Jim DeBusk Visuals: Chris LaMont



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"After a Terrible Loss"

"It's probably my job to tell you life isn't fair, but I figure you already know that. So instead, I'll tell you that hope is precious, and you're right not to give up." — C.J. Redwine, Defiance





* Hymn of Fellowship Spirit Song

Hymnal 347

Prelude

Traumerei

Schumann

Dr. Andria Fennig, piano

* Call to Worship

Rev. Andrea Andress

Here in this place, there are no foreigners, Leader:

People: for all are welcome in God's house.

Leader: Here in this worship, there is only acceptance,

for love is the language of faith. People:

Here in our lives, there are no divisions, Leader:

for God dwells in each of us. People:

All: Come, let us worship in unity and love.

* Hymn of Praise God of Love and God of Power

Hymnal 578

* Opening Prayer (in unison)

Christopher Wurpts

Almighty God, we come to hear the story of your faithfulness to past generations.

As we learn from the past, build in us confidence to also look to the future.

You are the God of our ancestors and the God of each one of us today.

We can go forward in hope, knowing that whatever else may fail, you will always remain faithful.

We gather before you, O God of hope, trusting you to guide us through all the chapters of our lives.

Teach us that we need not always understand your mysterious ways.

Bring us fresh courage to see your hand in unfolding plans.

Nothing will separate us from the love of God.

Praise be to God. Amen.

* Moments of Christian Fellowship

Christopher Wurpts

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Rev. Andrea Andress

Holy God. It is certain that the one stable element in our lives is change and we don't always do well with it.

We stumble, we fall, and we lose our way.

We fail to recognize your presence and instead become self-centered and isolate ourselves from you and from your community.

We confess our failings: those done by omission and those in full knowledge of what is right and wrong.

In our brokenness and in regret, help us to return to your love, your compassion.

Let us breathe anew from your Spirit to seek love and justice for all.

Let nothing shake us loose from the firm rock of your guidance.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Silent Prayer and Words of Assurance

Leader: In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! People: In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: Glory to God. Amen.

(Please fill out and pass the fellowship pad)

Anthem

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Walters

Dr. Nina Garquilo, soloist

Prayers of the People

Christopher Wurpts

Sharing of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Christopher Wurpts

Offertory Anthem

The Lord's Prayer

Malotte

Dr. Nina Garquilo, soloist

* Doxology Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow

Hvmnal 95

When you see an * in the order of worship, please stand as you are able.