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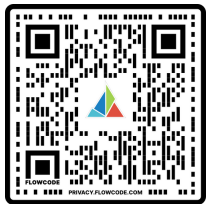


### Mission Statement

We are an inclusive and welcoming community that practices Jesus' radical love and affirmation. In worshipful response to God's transformative work in our lives, we pursue the liberation of all people from injustice and oppression.

### Upcoming Events

Sunday, March 19 Youth Group 6th-12th Bowling Outing  
Friday, March 24 Drinks and Deconstruction 7PM  
Saturday, March 25 Trustees Spring Cleanup Day 9:30AM



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**seeking:**  
*Who sinned?*

Fourth Sunday in Lent  
Sunday, March 19, 2023

CENTERING THOUGHT

"We can 'see' and be with the other only when the other ceases to be the 'other' and becomes like us."

-Henri Nouwen

PRELUDE *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*  
Arr. Dana Everson | Plymouth Brass

SCRIPTURE Ephesians 5.8-14 Trish Spaulding

SERMON "Now I See" Rev. Forrest Hoppe

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Pastoral Prayer  
Jesus' Prayer

\* CALL TO WORSHIP Trish Spaulding

Scripture is full of questions...

### **Where are you?**

Am I my brother's keeper?

### **Whom shall I send?**

Who do you say that I am?

### **Who sinned?**

How many times shall I forgive?

### **If God is for us, who can be against us?**

Scripture is full of questions, so just like those in our scriptures,  
may we bring our full curiosity and wonder into this space.

### **Let us ask and seek after our merciful God.**

MOMENT OF GENEROSITY OGHS  
Becky Mickaus, Outreach Board

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Rev. Forrest Hoppe

\* OPENING HYMN *We Have Gathered, Jesus Dear* NCH 74

\* CLOSING HYMN *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*  
NCH 547

\* CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Rachel J. Bahr

\* BENEDICTION

\* RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF  
FORGIVENESS (See insert)

\* POSTLUDE *Salvation Is Created*  
Tchesnokoff, Arr. David Giardiniere.  
Plymouth Brass  
Trumpet: Kevin Dobreff, Phil Pikaart, Meg Hansen  
French Horn: Sharon Wandrey  
Trombone: Rich Killmer, Nate Moored, Sarah Sizemore  
Tuba: Brandon Klein  
Organ: Marilyn Pikaart  
Director: Jerry Hoffman

\* RESPONSE *What Wondrous Love is This* NCH 223:1

**What wondrous love is this, O my soul! O my soul! What  
wondrous love is this, O my soul! What wondrous love is this! that  
Christ should come in bliss to bear the heavy cross for my soul,  
for my soul, to bear the heavy cross for my soul!**

\* GREET ONE ANOTHER IN PEACE

\* BAPTISM OF ROWAN HOLLEMANS (See insert)

*Child of Mine* Rev. Rachel J. Bahr

\* Indicates those who are able are asked to stand.

TIME FOR ALL AGES Rev. Rachel J. Bahr

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