

Family Service

10:00 a.m.

March 6, 2022

Welcome, Greeting, and Reconnecting!

Expressing Our Joy

Leader: Who are you?

People: I am a child of God.

Leader: Who are we?

People: We are children of God, the family of faith.

Leader: What does it mean to be children of God?

People: We belong to God who loves us and calls us God's own.

Leader: May the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray. (Congregation seated.)

Prayer of Trust and Confidence

Asking God's Forgiveness (*responsive*)

Leader: In prayer together, let us ask for God's forgiveness: God, we have not acted the way you expect. We have mean, angry thoughts about friends and strangers. Lord, I'm sorry.

People: Forgive us, Lord.

Leader: God, we have not acted the way you expect. We pick fights with people we love, especially when we know it's wrong. Lord, I'm sorry.

People: Forgive us, Lord.

Leader: God, we have not acted the way you expect. We snap back at other people, always wanting to have the last word. Lord, I'm sorry.

People: Forgive us, Lord.

Leader: God, we have not acted the way you expect. We waste time on all the wrong things, forgetting what is most important. Lord, I'm sorry.

People: Forgive us, Lord.

Leader: God, change our hearts so that we might love the way you love us. Amen.

Time of Silence and Personal Confession

Reassurance of God's Forgiveness

Scripture: **Romans 8:28,**

²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that*

neither death,

nor life,

nor angels,

nor rulers,

nor things present,

nor things to come,

nor powers,

³⁹nor height,

nor depth,

nor anything else in all creation,

will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Message

Prayer, concluding with *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.

Blessing

Sung Response

This Little Light of Mine

Welcome to the Family Service! It is so great seeing you all!

We have returned to the Family Chapel upstairs!

As always, you can join the service over Zoom!