

**Words to Ponder: ‘Unity is strength... when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved.’ – Mattie Stepanek**

**PRELUDE** “Total Praise” **Michael Turner, Piano**

**GATHERING MUSIC** “Let It Rise” **Music Ministry**

**WORDS OF WELCOME | +PASSING OF THE PEACE** **Rev. Ann Hayman**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** **Rev. Ann Hayman**

Be still!

**We come to quiet ourselves in this haven of holiness.**

Be still and know . . .

**we come to discern the Word that can set us free.**

Be still and know that God is . . .

**our Hope, our Help, our Refuge, and our Redeemer.**

Let us worship God!

**+OPENING HYMN** “Live into Hope” **PH #332**

**CALL TO CONFESSION (1 John 1:8-9)** **Rev. Ann Hayman**

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Mystical, transcendent God, there is so much of life we simply do not know. In our arrogance, we utter what we do not understand. Rescue us, O Lord, from our afflictions. Restore us, O God, from our self-inflicted wounds. Have mercy on us, Son of David, Son of God, and save us by your unending intercession. Amen.**

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE** **Rev. Hayman**

Be still and know the good news: God has not forsaken nor forgotten us, but redeems us.

**Why should we be afraid? God is in our midst - forgiving, restoring, sending.**

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE** “The Pain and the Great One” **Rev. Ann Hayman**  
**Judy Blume**

**ANTHEM** “Because of Who You Are” **Music Ministry**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** **Rev. Ann Hayman**

**SCRIPTURE READING** James 3:13:4:3, 7-10 (The Message) **Rev. Ann Hayman**

**SERMON**

**“People of The Way”  
Mark 9:30-37**

**Rev. Darrel Meyers**

**WORDS OF FAITH (from A Brief Statement of Faith)**

**In a broken and fearful world  
the Spirit gives us courage  
to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.  
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth,  
praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”  
With believers in every time and place,  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**PASTORAL PRAYERS AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**Rev. Ann Hayman**

**THE OFFERING**

**Call to Giving**

**Rev. Ann Hayman**

**Offertory**

**“What Shall I Render?”**

**Music Ministry**

**+Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise God all people here below,  
praise God above ye heavenly host. Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Rev. Ann Hayman**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Rev. Ann Hayman**

**+CLOSING HYMN**

**“O God of Every Nation”**

**PH #289**

**+BENEDICTION**

**Rev. Darrel Meyers**

**POSTLUDE**

**“If We Never Pass This Way Again”**

**Music Ministry**