Celebration of Worship Season of Epiphany

January 20, 2019

9:30 A.M.

We welcome you to worship. Nursery and Preschool care is available if you need it. The Young are welcomed to the front early on for a special time in the service. Please sign the Friendship Pads so that we can get to know you better, and join us for coffee in the Narthex after the service.

Thought for Reflection

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and don't rely on your own intelligence. In all you do acknowledge God, and God will direct your paths. Don't assume you know it all. Run to God!"

God Invites Us to Worship

Proverbs 3:5-6

PRELUDE

WELCOME

RINGING THE CHURCH BELL

STILLING In silence, ask the Holy Spirit to help us pay attention and to worship God.

We Offer Praise

WORDS IN PREPARATION

GOD'S PEOPLE PRAY TOGETHER

* Please stand, if you are able.

* HYMN OF WORSHIP & PRAISE Great Is Thy Faithfulness # 276

God Speaks through the Word with a Heart of Love

* GOD BLESSES US AS WE BEGIN OUR WORSHIP

WORDS FOR THE YOUNG & THE YOUNG AT HEART

Message Who Is Abraham?

Prayer

Children in Preschool through Grade 5 are dismissed for Sunday School

PRAYER FOR GOD'S SPIRIT TO MOVE AMONG US

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Genesis* 22:1-18

SERMON "God's Faithfulness and the Hard Truth about Faith" Rev. Dr. Eileen Borduin Vanderzwan

We Respond in Faith

CALL TO CONFESSION PRAYER OF CONFESSION FORGIVENESS DECLARED STATEMENT OF FAITH AND HOPE (responsively) Our hope is in the Lord Who made the heavens and the earth. Our hope is in the Lord Who provides us with every good thing. Our hope is in the Lord Whose incarnation we celebrate. Our hope is in the Lord And by his death, we have life. Our hope is in the Lord Whose Spirit comforts and empowers us. We know our hope is in the Lord Who fills us with hope, Who is Sovereign over all; One God, Triune and everlasting. O God, Our Faithful God HYMN # 277 (Sung to the Tune "Now Thank We All Our God") OFFERING OFFERTORY PRAYER OF DEDICATION, THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts/debtors) * HYMN The God of Abraham Praise # 488 God Sends Us Out to Serve * ANNOUNCEMENTS * CHORAL BLESSING The Lord Bless You and Keep You Lutkin Chancel Choir

* POSTLUDE