

PRELUDE

CALL TO PRAISE AND PRAYER

Leader: In the midst of strife, God is with us!

**People: Come, O Lord, and pour your word
into our hearts.**

Leader: In the anguish and grief of everyday living,
God is with us!

People: Hear our cries, O Lord, and quiet our spirits!

Leader: Come, let us open our hearts and spirits to the Lord.

**People: We come, with confidence and hope
in the presence of God. Amen.**

OPENING SONG Faith We Sing # 2051
"I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry"

OPENING PRAYER

**God of Jacob, who rested his head on a stone
pillow and saw visions of your angels, be with us this
day. Give us a vision of your presence in the midst of
our strife. Give us courage and confidence that you are
with us, calling us to be your loving people in the world.
For we ask these things in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN
"My Hope Is Built" Hymnal #368

SCRIPTURE READINGS
Genesis 28:10-19
Psalm 139:1-18, 23-24

MESSAGE
"Whippoorwills and Stairs to Heaven" by Sally Casper

HYMN
"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" Hymnal #103

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Prayer

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
trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For
thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

PRAYER HYMN

"Cares Chorus" Faith We Sing #2215
*I cast all my cares upon you, I lay all of my burdens down at
your feet, and anytime that I don't know what to do, I will cast
all my cares upon you.*

OFFERING OF GRATITUDE

DOXOLOGY Hymnal # 94

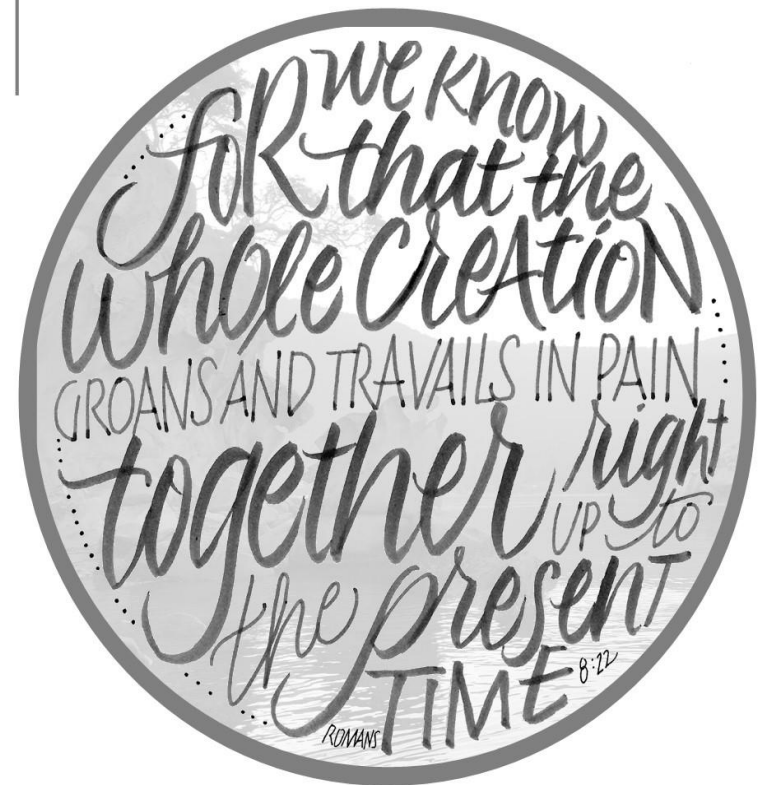
CLOSING PRAYER

Wondrous God of whippoorwills and wildflowers, of
gentle breezes and mighty windstorms, thank you for all the
ways in which you make yourself known to us. Your creation
proclaims your glory, your word draws us ever closer to you,
and your Spirit enlivens and empowers us to this day. Just
as you promised Jacob, "I am with you, and I will protect you
wherever you go," we are grateful for the ways you guide
and provide for us too. May we be ever attentive and
responsive to your presence in our lives! **Amen.**

HYMN
"Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Hymnal # 474

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE



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