

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 7, 2023

11:00 AM

Rev. Mark Spildooren

PRELUDE

GREETING

INTROIT

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty and ever gracious Father, for the gift of Your Son Jesus Christ, and for all the help and hope He provides, we give You thanks. We bless You for the presence of Your Holy Spirit, which inspires us to all the ministries of truth and grace. At all times and in all things, we praise You, O God. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Remember Your words, O Lord,

People: *For they have given me hope!*

Leader: This is my comfort in my affliction,

People: *That Your promise gives me life!*

Leader: When I look to Your ordinances of old,

ALL: *There I shall find my salvation!*

***HYMN #349** "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Have mercy upon us, O God, according to Your loving kindness. According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, blot out our transgressions. For our sin is ever before us, and our iniquity is more than we can bear. Create in us a clean heart and a right spirit, O God, and restore us to the joy of Your salvation. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, WAVING THE PEACE

***HYMN #606** "He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought"

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 22: 25 - 31

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON John 15: 1 - 8

SERMON: "Where We Need to Be."

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY**

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***COMMUNION HYMN #284** "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer and Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Distribution of the Elements

***HYMN # 667** "Jesus Saves!"

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

**congregation standing*

We welcome all visitors with us this morning. We hope you will feel the warmth of God's love through our fellowship and that you will return again soon.

We welcome Rev. Mark Spildooren back to Larison's Corner. Rev. Spildooren was our minister for 20 years. Currently retired, he and his wife, Julie, live in Flemington.