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PRELUDE All Things Bright and Beautiful Michael Burkhardt

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Rev. McGowan (8:00)

Maeve Hammond (11:00)

CALL TO WORSHIP (from I Chronicles 16)

One: Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of God's salvation from day to day.

All: Declare God's glory among the nations, God's marvelous works among all the peoples.

One: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

All: Honor and majesty are before the Lord; strength and joy are in his place.

* HYMN 20

All Things Bright and Beautiful

ROYAL OAK

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of joy and laughter, God of good times and author of delight, thank you for the bounty of reasons we have to be glad in you. We are blessed by the beauty of creation and the almost infinite variety of plants and animals with whom we share this world. Forgive us for being such poor stewards of creation. Increase our sensitivity to all living things and help us treat all life with respect and love. We pray in the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

You are invited to share the peace we experience as forgiven people. Greet one another saying, "The peace of Christ be with you," and respond, "And also with you."

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jean Song (8:00)

Ed Koster (11:00)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Philippians 4:4–7

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

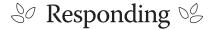
ANTHEM All Things Bright and Beautiful

John Rutter

OLD TESTAMENT READING Numbers 22, selected verses

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SERMON God's Sense of Humor Rev. Dr. Fair



* HYMN 22 God of the Sparrow ROEDER

WELCOME

Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it to others sitting nearby.

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory I Sing the Mighty Power of God Michael Burkhardt

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

See Communion Card

Communion MusicYou Satisfy the Hungry HeartBICENTENNIAL

Please sing the refrain.

You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat; come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat. This response is Hymn 523.



* **HYMN 32** I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

As the congregation stands to sing, please bring your offering of food forward. Monetary donations may be put in the special communion envelope and placed in the baskets.

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* **HYMN 540** Farewell, Good Friends! Shalom, Chaverim

Farewell, good friends! Farewell, good friends! Shalom, shalom! Till we meet again, till we meet again, shalom.

Those parts of the service of worship in which the congregation participates in word or song are noted in **bold type**. Hearing-assistance devices and large-print bulletins and hymnals are available from the ushers.

^{*} Please rise in body or spirit.