

***Welcome & Call to Worship***

***Hymn – MP 4 - Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;***

1. Abide with me;  
fast falls the eventide;  
the darkness deepens;  
Lord, with me abide;  
when other helpers fail,  
and comforts flee,  
help of the helpless,  
O abide with me.

2. Swift to its close  
ebbs out life's little day;  
earth's joys grown dim,  
its glories pass away;  
change and decay  
in all around I see:  
O Thou who changest not,  
abide with me!

3. I need Thy presence  
every passing hour;  
what but Thy grace  
can foil the tempter's power?  
Who like Thyself  
my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine,  
O abide with me.

4. I fear no foe  
with Thee at hand to bless;  
ills have no weight,  
and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting?  
where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still,  
if Thou abide with me.

5. Hold Thou Thy cross  
before my closing eyes,  
shine through the gloom,  
and point me to the skies;  
heaven's morning breaks,  
and earth's vain shadows flee:  
in life, in death, O Lord,  
abide with me!

***Prayer***

***Hymn - MP 201 - Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah***

1. Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,  
pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;  
hold me with Thy powerful hand:  
Bread of heaven,  
feed me now and evermore.

2. Open now the crystal fountain,  
whence the healing stream doth flow;  
let the fiery, cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through:  
strong deliverer,  
be Thou still my strength and shield.

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside:  
death of death, and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side:  
songs of praises  
I will ever give to Thee.

**Scripture Reading – Mark 10:17-31** - <sup>17</sup> As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>18</sup> "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good—except God alone. <sup>19</sup> You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honour your father and mother.'" <sup>20</sup> "Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy." <sup>21</sup> Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." <sup>22</sup> At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth. <sup>23</sup> Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup> The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup> It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup> The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?" <sup>27</sup> Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God." <sup>28</sup> Then Peter spoke up, "We have left everything to follow you!" <sup>29</sup> "Truly I tell you," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel <sup>30</sup> will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—along with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup> But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

***Hymn – MP 511 - O Lord, Your tenderness***

O Lord Your Tenderness -  
melting all my bitterness!  
O Lord, I receive Your love.  
O Lord, Your loveliness,  
changing all my ugliness,  
O Lord, I receive Your love,  
O Lord, I receive Your love,  
O Lord, I receive Your love.

***Sermon***

***Prayer***

***Hymn - MP 69 - Change my heart, O God***

1. Change my heart, O God,  
make it ever true;  
change my heart O God,  
may I be like You.

2. You are the potter,  
I am the clay;  
mould me and make me,  
this is what I pray.

*(Continued overleaf)*

3. Change my heart, O God,  
make it ever true;  
change my heart O God,  
may I be like You.

***Dedication of Offering***

***Hymn - MP 226 - Healing God, Almighty Father***

1. Healing God, almighty Father,  
active throughout history,  
ever saving, guiding, working  
for your children to be free.  
Shepherd, king, inspiring prophets  
to foresee your suffering role;  
Lord, we raise our prayers and voices;  
make us one and make us whole.

2. Healing Christ, God's Word incarnate,  
reconciling man to man;,  
God's atonement, dying for us,  
In His great redemptive plan..  
'Jesus', Saviour, healer, victor,  
drawing out for us death's sting;  
Lord, we bow our hearts in worship,  
and united praises bring.

3. Healing Spirit, Christ-anointing,  
raising to new life in Him;  
help to poor; release to captives;  
cure of body; health within.  
Life-renewing and empowering  
Christ-like service to the lost;  
Lord, we pray 'Renew your wonders  
as of a New Pentecost!'

4. Healing Church, called-out and chosen  
to enlarge God's kingdom here;  
Lord-obeying; Spirit strengthened  
to bring God's salvation near.  
For creation's reconciling  
gifts of love in us release,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
'Make us instruments of peace'.

***Benediction***

***Hymn – MP 460 - May God's blessing***

May God's blessing surround you each day,  
as you trust Him and walk in His way.  
May His presence within guard and keep you from sin,  
go in peace, go in joy, go in love.