

**Pray for:** all impacted by COVID19; Mike and Rosalie Hames (passing of son, Brad); Jana Reints; Terry Bottorff; Gary Knutson; Mindy Dahlhauser; Dean Carden (by-pass surgery); Cooper Corrow and family; Jan Malmstrom (heart); the Stanley family; Trendi Moss; Nikola Jans (baby w/heart problems); Marj Nass; Garry Staley; Marcy Maass; a young stroke victim; Linda (cancer); Dr. Sahai; Hannah Brandt (teen cancer warrior); Bradley (chemo); Jennifer Van Diest; Anita Gaul; Kyzer Stanley; Sherry Lambi; Tim & Caroline Bailey family in Romania

**Please keep us updated with your prayer requests—Thanks!**

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*"how often should  
I forgive?  
"Not SEVEN times,  
but, I tell you,  
SEVENTY-  
SEVEN  
times."*

*Matthew 18:21-22, NRSV*

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

**Leader:** We are gathered on this day to worship, to declare before God our need of a Savior.

**People:** We worship God, Who has brought us Salvation in Jesus!

**Gathering Hymn** #140 (UMH) *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

**Community Prayer** Creator of our Hearts and Minds, of our Choices and Mouths, and of our Souls and Responses; Open our hearts that we would be present to You in our worship this day. You are the One Who saves us in Christ Jesus. So often we can say one thing, and do another. So often we can be particular about one action, but ignore the gravity of another. So often our shameful motives are revealed by hypocritical living. Forgive us, Lord, for our double standards and our double mindedness. Forgive us and empower us to live as You call us to live, working with You to expel hypocrisy from our hearts, minds, souls, and therefore our words, actions, and motivations. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray all this to You, O God, in the name of our Sovereign Savior, Jesus Christ, Amen!

**Scripture of God’s Providence** Romans 14: 1-4, 10-12

**Hymn of Reflection** #402 (UMH) *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

**Children’s Time** Jennifer Sullivan, Christian Formation Director

**Special Musical Offering**

**Scripture of God’s Revealing Claim on Our Lives** Matthew 18: 21-35

**Sermon** *Tough Words Lead to Gracious Self-Awareness and Righteous Integrity*

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Giving of Ourselves and Resources**

**Sending Hymn** #389 (UMH) *Freely, Freely*

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

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