



# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

FEBRUARY 19, 2023

**PRELUDE** Variations on “Oh, For a Thousand Tongues”  
Robert Hobby

**OPENING SONG** “I’ll Be There”  
Berry Gordy, arr. Emerson

## LIFE OF THE CHURCH

**HYMNS** “Great is thy Faithfulness”  
“His Mercy is More”

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Where love and charity abide, that is where God dwells.

**All: Where love and charity abide, that is where God dwells.**

**Choir: Ubi caritas et amor deus ibi est**

Leader: Christ's love has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him. Forgive us when let us fear get in the way of loving each other with a sincere heart.

**All: Where love and charity abide, that is where God dwells.**

**Choir: Ubi caritas et amor deus ibi est**

Leader: As we are gathered into one body, there are times when we are divided in mind. Forgive us. Let evil impulses stop, let controversy cease, And may Christ our God be in our midst.

**All: Where love and charity abide, that is where God dwells.**

**Choir: Ubi caritas et amor deus ibi est**

Leader: With all believers in every time and place, Help us see your face in glory, O Christ our God: Fill us with joy so immense and good, it continues through the infinite ages.

**All: Where love and charity abide, that is where God dwells.**

**Choir: Ubi caritas et amor deus ibi est**

**HYMN OF PREPARATION** “Open My Eyes, That I May See”  
(#480, vs 1-3)

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, in you lies all wisdom and knowledge. In our humanity we may never fully comprehend your Word, but we ask that you still guide our understanding as the scriptures are shared. Help us discern the Spirit's voice and shape our lives by what we hear today. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** Romans 12:9-18

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC** “Undivided”  
Karen Marroli

**MESSAGE** The Friendship Factor:  
“Friendship and Eternity”

## OFFERING

**MUSICAL OFFERING** “By Our Love”  
Christy Nockels

## PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

**CLOSING HYMN** “Where Charity and Love Prevail”

## BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** “Toccata”  
Gilbert M. Martin

Preaching Pastor	<b>Geoff Kohler</b>
Assisting Pastor	<b>Mofid Wasef</b>
Director of Worship	<b>Elizabeth Virkler</b>
Director of Media	<b>Luke Graham</b>
Organist/Accompanist	<b>Ronél Wishnuff</b>
Worship Band	<b>Joey Carano</b>
	<b>Pete Harrison</b>
	<b>Nathan Hubbard</b>
	<b>Jennifer Williams</b>
	<b>Takuma Maruo</b>
Ensembles	<b>Chancel Choir</b>
	<b>Grace Notes</b>
Scripture Reader	<b>Irene Dunny</b>

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