

Gathering Music

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Processional

Welcome

Proclamation

In life and death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God,
whom alone we worship and serve.

Reading

"The Sage," by Steve Garnaas-Holmes
Selected by Skylar Benedict

***+Hymn 692**

"Spirit, Open My Heart"

Reading

"Give Me Away," by Merrit Malloy
Selected by Brittany Ashforth-Leavitt

Response (3x)

*Make me an instrument of Your peace.
Where there is hatred let me sow love.
Make me an instrument of Your peace.
Where there is injury let me sow pardon.*

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Lesson

Habakkuk 2:2-3

Homily

***Hymn 450**

"Be Thou My Vision"

Remembrances

Georgia Jeppesen
Robert Ashforth

Kofi Fynn-Aikins, *including African Drum Solo*

Special Music

"God Only Knows," *Brian Wilson*

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Completion of the Baptismal Covenant

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Reading

"God Made the World with a Heart Full of Love,"
by Khalil Gibran

Commendation

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A Living Memorial

***Acclamation**

With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

***Recessional**

**Please stand as you are able
Light reception following the Service*

Officiant
Rev. Gusti Linnea Newquist

Accompanist
Sam Jannotta

Tech Support
Bill Howard

God Only Knows

I may not always love you
But long as there are stars above you
You never need to doubt it
I'll make you so sure about it
God only knows what I'd be without you
If you should ever leave me
Though life would still go on believe me
The world could show nothing to me
So what good would living do me
God only knows what I'd be without you
God only knows what I'd be without you
If you should ever leave me
Well life would still go on believe me
The world could show nothing to me
So what good would living do me
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The Beach Boys

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A Celebration Of Life

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William Robert Ashforth

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Every thought you produce,
anything you say,
any action you do,
it becomes your signature

Thich Nhat Hanh

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