

February 12, 2023 Service

Welcome

Call to Worship:

Let us praise God, whose goodness and steadfast love are everlasting.

With joy we praise God's wonderful deeds.

The Lord shows kindness to those who act justly and whose lives reflect God's righteousness at all times;

so look on us with favour, O God, for we rejoice in all your faithful dealings with those who have gone before us.

Like them, we have sinned, we fall short of your goodness.

Like them, we forget you and replace you with idols of our own making.

Yet, as you heard Moses' prayer for his people and delivered them from certain death and destruction,

so you hear Jesus' prayers for us, and graciously grant us the gift of salvation.

Let us together praise God, whose goodness and steadfast love are everlasting.

***Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet - John Reitsma**

***God's Greeting**

***Because He Lives - Dennis Sjolie**

Confession

God, we confess that we do not always understand Your ways. We are easily discouraged when life takes unexpected turns and our carefully laid plans and dreams come to nothing.

We confess that we are quick to give up when things get difficult, and quick to question Your presence and Your power.

Forgive us. Grant us patience to wait for Your good timing. Open our eyes to recognize Your leading in our lives— to listen for Your gentle whisper when we least expect it. And then give us courage to step out in faith and obedience, trusting in Your leading even when we cannot yet see the outcome.

We praise You for Your faithful love, and pray that You would make us worthy to bear Your name. **Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Do not worry; the Lord is near.

God hears our prayers with compassion and with abundant, steadfast love.

Rejoice, for in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

***What a Friend We Have in Jesus - Ina Ijzerman**

***Children's Blessing**

Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 19:1-18

Sermon: God's Messengers

***Oceans**

***Faithful One**

Congregational Prayer

Offering - **You Are Mine**

***God's Blessing**

***Trust and Obey**