

**WELCOME**

**Pastor Michael**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Mary Frances**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

**Sue Hicks**

We have gathered from our different places to worship here. How good it is to worship together in unity! We come from our different occupations, our diverse activities. We come as unique individuals, bound together in the love of Christ. How good it is to worship together in unity!

**OPENING PRAYER:**

**Pastor Michael**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** *Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32*  
*(Please read the following passage as written on the page)*

**Sue Hicks**

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. *For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.* Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** *“Whiter Than Snow”*

**Kristin Hammond**

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

**Sue Hicks**

Today we come again, some of us feeling guilty, some who feel frustrated with ourselves. Some are feeling dejected, and maybe some feeling apathetic. Enfold us all, we pray, within your saving love. Please deal with us in the way we most need; speak comfortable words or rebuke us, tend to our wounds or lance our infections, awaken our conscience or calm our nagging anxiety. Lord Jesus, give to the timid the courage to accept your mercy, and give the proud the humility to seek your forgiveness. Please touch every person with the redeeming love of Jesus. In whose name we pray. Amen!

**SILENT PRAYER**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**Sue Hicks**

Family of God, God knows your need before you ask for help. There is enough mercy to cover all your sins, and not yours only, but those of the whole world. Therefore put the past and its errors behind you. Live as forgiven people, for in Christ, such you truly are! *Thanks be to God!*

**GOSPEL LESSON**

**Matthew 15: 10-11, 15-20, 21-28**

**Pastor Michael**

**SERMON:**

**“Shaped by Love”**

**Pastor Michael**

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**Mary Frances**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**Pastor Michael**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Pastor Michael**

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into  
temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## **BENEDICTION**

**Pastor Michael**

## **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*We will be offering services via ZOOM every Sunday @ 11:30 until we can meet in person again.*