## SIX MILE RUN REFORMED CHURCH

# **Celebrating God's Diversity**

Order of Worship - November 9, 2025 - Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost

#### GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

#### \*Call to Worship

Come, let's praise God together!

For God is great, and worthy of our praise!

Let's tell stories of God's power and majesty, His mighty acts throughout history:

for God is great, and worthy of our praise!

Let's remember the compassion He has shown toward us;

His mercy and unfailing love, generation after generation:

for God is great, and worthy of our praise!

Let's pass these stories along to our children and grandchildren,

so that they, too, may come to know and love our God.

For God is great, and worthy of our praise!

Let's worship God together!

We will extol You, our God and King, and bless Your name forever and ever!

\*Opening Hymn: "How Great is Our God"

#### Words of Assurance and Call to Confess

## **Corporate Prayer of Confession:**

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess before You, the world, and one another how weak our faith truly is. You ask us to step out in resurrection hope; You ask us to give up those things which make us feel secure at the cost of our neighbor's wellbeing: the social and physical distance we keep from the poor and the different; the excess we store up by building bigger barns rather than contributing to Your causes in the world; even our reputations and pride wherever they seal us off from authentic relationship with siblings in Christ. Forgive us, as we know you already have in Your Son. He loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope. So give us greater faith through Your Spirit to trust that death has no hold on us, because Satan the fear-monger is a liar, and only the eternal life of resurrection is true! All glory be to the Risen One! Amen!

## Words of Reassurance

\*Gloria: "Halle Halle"

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Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

\*Summary of the Law and Passing of the Peace

\*Hymn of Peace: May the God of hope go with us every day,

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filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.

May the God of justice speed us on your

## **GOD SPEAKS TO US**

Let us prepare for the Word of God as it comes to us in the reading of the Holy Scriptures. **Speak Lord, for Your servants are listening.** 

## Scripture: Luke 20:27-38 (NRSVUE)

27 Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him 28 and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. 29 Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; 30 then the second 31 and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. 32 Finally the woman also died. 33 In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

34 Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, 35 but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. 36 Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. 37 And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. 38 Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### Sermon

\*Hymn of Meditation: "I Love the Lord, He Heard My Cry"

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#### GOD SENDS US OUT

**Call to Self-Offering:** *Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings* 

\*Doxology: "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

#### Gathering of Joys and Concerns

"Thanks be to God" or "Lord, hear our prayer"

#### Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

\*Closing Hymn: "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

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\*Benediction