

**July 30, 2023**

**Prelude and Chimes**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

Leader: The Spirit of God calls to us,

**People: With sighs too deep for words.**

Leader: The Spirit of God calls to us,

**People: Claiming us,**

Leader: Summoning us to become more than we now are.

**People: Calling us by name: God's children.**

**\*Hymn #277: "Holy, Holy, Holy"**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**Scripture Reading:** Romans 8:26-39

Jim Miers

**Special Music**

Rachel & Clare Alexander

**Time With Young Disciples**

**Unison Prayer**

**Love Divine, whose mercies are fresh with the morning and whose grace amazes us into joy. Grant that, in our worship and in our daily living, we may be deeply aware of the strength of your mercy. Move us to share that strength in our world. Amen.**

**Sermon: "Never Separate"**

**\*Hymn #485: "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"**

**The Community at Prayer** (*Joys and Concerns, Prayers for the People, Lord's Prayer*)

If you are watching online, type any prayer requests in the chat by the end of the sermon and we can voice them and get the names on the prayer list.

**Prayer Response**

## **Invitation to the Offering**

Ushers for today: GCC youth

*(Opportunities to give for the ministries of this church are available through an offering plate during service, by mailing your gift to the church office, or by signing up for electronic giving through our website.)*

## **\*Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

## **\*Prayer of Dedication**

**O God, most merciful and gracious, of whose bounty we have all received: accept we pray, this offering of your people. Remember in your love those who have brought it and those for whom it is given; and so follow it with your blessing that it may promote peace and goodwill among all your people and advance the realm of our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**\*Hymn #473: "Blessed Assurance"**

**\*Commissioning and Blessing**

**\*Postlude**