

1. O Christ, the heal - er, we have come to pray for  
 2. From ev - ery ail - ment flesh en - dures our bod - ies  
 3. How strong, O Christ, are our de - sires, how weak our  
 4. In con - flicts that de - stroy our health we rec - og -  
 5. Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your com -

1. health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to  
 2. clam - or to be freed; yet in our hearts we  
 3. knowl - edge of our - selves! Re - lease in us those  
 4. nize the world's dis - ease; our com - mon life de -  
 5. mu - ni - ty may find the whole - ness that, en -

1. be re - stored when reached by love that nev - er ends?  
 2. would con - fess that whole - ness is our deep - est need.  
 3. heal - ing truths un - con - scious pride re - sists or shelves.  
 4. clares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?  
 5. rich - ing us, shall reach the whole of hu - man - kind.

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PREWORSHIP MUSIC  
 GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS  
 CANDLELIGHTING  
 PRELUDE

Mr. Kevin Crone  
 Rev. Laura C. Baker  
 Acolyte

### CENTERING WORDS

*Are you tossed about on the storms of life? Wait for the Lord ... more than those who wait for the morning. Wait with hope. Wait with longing. Wait with faith.*

*(Please stand in body and/or spirit)*

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Based on Psalm 130)

Pastor: Out of the depths, we cry to you, O Lord.

**Congregation:** Hear our prayers and supplications.

Pastor: Heed the anguish of our pleas.

**Congregation:** Our souls wait for you alone, O Lord,

Pastor: more than those who wait for the morning.

**Congregation:** We are here to worship you this day.

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

*All people: Bless and heal us, O God, for we are stricken in body and in spirit. As we stretch out our hands to touch the hem of your robe, make us well. Course through our minds and bodies with your healing power, as we place our faith in your mighty Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

**HYMN**

*O God, our Help in Ages Past*

Hymnal, #67

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Pastor: Even though we profess to be God's people, Scripture reminds us that we still sin. Therefore, we need to confess our failures, trusting that God freely forgives us, through God's infinite goodness and mercy. So let us draw near to God with sincerity and confidence and pray together.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All people:** *We behold those with unflinching faith, O God, and yearn for their unquestioned assurance of your powerful presence. We are tired of mourning the dead and long to laugh with Jairus' household as Christ called a beloved daughter back from the world beyond. We seek not merely to be healed in body but to be made whole in spirit as well. Heal our fickle hearts as we wait for you. Amen.*

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

**Pastor:** Our Great Physician heals us, body and soul.  
**All people:** *We will give thanks to the One who answers our prayers and makes us well.*

**HYMN OF PRAISE** *Gloria Patri* **Blue Hymnal, #35**

## PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

**Pastor:** Our source of healing and peace is with us now. Let us share this healing and peace with one another using the words: The peace of Christ be with you.  
**Congregation:** **And also with you.**

*(The congregation may be seated, as the children & youth come forward)*

**JESUS SAID, "LET THE CHILDREN COME"**

**HYMN** *O Christ, the Healer* **Blue Hymnal, #566**  
(Bulletin, Pg. 4)

**HEBREW READING** **2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27**

**EPISTLE READING** **2 Corinthians 8:7-15**

**GOSPEL READING** **Mark 5:21-43**

**SERMON & PASTORAL PRAYER** **Rev. Laura C. Baker**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All people:** *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 sins, as*

*we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *Gracious Spirit Dwell With Me* (Scott)

## OFFERING INVITATION

**Liturgist:** Scripture promises: "The One who gathered more didn't have too much, and the one who gathered less didn't have too little."  
May these words be fulfilled as share this morning's offering with a song and a prayer.

*(Please stand in body and/or spirit)*

**DOXOLOGY** *Praise God* **Blue Hymnal, #46**

*(An Offering Collection Box is located on the table in the back of sanctuary, by the exit door)*

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**All people:** *Merciful God, misery and despair touch our world each day. Multiply the gifts we bring before you, that no one may suffer want. And if our fortunes are one day reversed, may we receive with the same grace and gratitude we have offered this day. Amen.*

**HYMN** *This is My Song* **Blue Hymnal, #722**

## BENEDICTION

**Pastor:** Go in the hope and promise of God.  
**Congregation:** **We will share God's love and grace.**  
**Pastor:** Go in the wholeness of life with Christ.  
**Congregation:** **We will share the good news of Christ's healing.**  
**Pastor:** Go in the power of the Holy Spirit.  
**Congregation:** **We will share the Spirit of peace with the world.**  
**All people:** *Amen.*

**CANDLE EXTINGUISHING** **Acolyte**

**POSTLUDE** **Mr. Kevin Crone**