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Under God's Wing by Rev. Lisle Gwynn Garrity

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The Words of Preparation

Our Lenten theme this year is *Full to the Brim*. We will focus on God's grace and how we live in that grace and extend that grace to others. The lectionary scriptures show us a God who offers us grace-grace that is underserved, unearned, illogical, and boundless.

Please silence your cellphones during this time of worship.

The Chiming

The Greeting

Rev. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

Minister: The peace and love of Christ be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

The Prayer for Illumination

Our lives are *Full to the Brim*. Our days are overflowing with emails and to-do lists, schedules and notifications, assignments and deadlines. We wake up feeling behind, we go to sleep worrying about tomorrow, and we know—there has to be more than this. So we pray: O God, bend down and show us the way. Point us toward awe and wonder. Guide us to hope and trust. We want a new kind of *Full to the Brim*. May God show us the way. Amen

The Prelude

Kathy Karr

Partita in a minor, J.S. Bach

The Call to Worship

Come rain or shine, "I will keep on." That's what I heard Jesus say. I will keep on driving out demons and healing people, speaking the truth and loving endlessly, searching for the lost sheep and crying for the brokenhearted, feeding the hungry and welcoming the outcast. "I will keep on." That's what Jesus said, right after he said my name, right after he called me beloved, right after he welcomed me home and saved me a seat. And I knew, right then, I was under the shelter and wing of God's immeasurable love. Come rain or come shine, today and tomorrow, God's love is endless. The God who helped us in the past is with us in the present and will lead us in the future.

***The Hymn of Praise**

Congregation

O God, Our Help In Ages Past, No. 78 (Stanzas 1-4)

The Prayer of Confession and Words of Forgiveness

Family of faith, we come to confession not to wallow in our own guilt. Instead, we come to confession because we know that change starts with being honest. So in a desire to grow and change, let us confess our sins together. . .

When the Pharisees tried to stop Jesus, Jesus said, "I will keep on."

I will keep on healing. I will keep on teaching. I will keep on preaching. I will keep on flipping the tables of injustice. I will keep on treating every person like a child of God. I will keep on believing that this world can change. I will keep on until God's promised day. Forgive us, O God, for the times when we stop Amen.

Family of faith, because Jesus' love just keeps going, we can trust that God's love and grace exists for us. So rest in this good news: **No matter what we do wrong or what we leave undone, we are under God's wing. We are loved, held, and forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

***The Hymn of Discipleship**

Congregation

Jesus, Lover of My Soul. No. 461
(Stanzas 1 and 4)

***The Gospel Lesson**

Rev. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

Luke 13:31-35

The Choral Worship

Chancel Choir

God is Our Refuge and Strength, Pote

The Sermon

Rev. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

Full to the Brim: Under God's Wing

***The Hymn of Discipleship**

Congregation

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go, No. 531

***The Offertory Prayer**

Grace McCoy

The Offertory

Fantasy in a minor, Telemann

*The Offertory Response

Congregation

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen. Amen.

*The Benediction

Rev. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

*The Postlude

Jennifer Harberson

Bourree No. 1 and No. 2, Johann Kirnberger

New Member Pledge: **In response to your decision, we pledge ourselves to be the family of God for you in this place. We offer you our love, our care, our kinship, and our hopes. We hope to learn from you, give to you, and receive from you by God's grace.**

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God by his family to celebrate the memory of William H. Dohrman.

Prayer Concerns

Sympathy to Scott and Lynne Hewson in the death of his father, Bill Hewson, on March 2.

Tim Kelley, friend of Martha Watson, health concerns

Cathern Reeves, mother of Mary Lucy Hook, health concerns

Kelly York Shelby, sister of Christy Cox, health concerns

Judy Gilpin, hospice care

Sewell Long, health concerns

Miles Reynolds, health concerns

Dick and Lucille Brown, health concerns

Bill and Susan Ohlendorf, brother and sister-in-law of Elaine Baker, health concerns

Joe and Debby Lin, brother and sister-in-law of Steve Lin, health concerns



Offering baskets are located at the doors leading into the Sanctuary. If you prefer, scan the QR code to access our online giving option.