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MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

As a Congregational church, Meadowbrook traces its roots to the Pilgrims. We continue to explore our faith as a people free to interpret God's Word according to the dictates of our own conscience and in mutual support and love of one another. Not bound by any one creed or statement of faith, Congregationalists are gathered around a local church covenant in which we promise to serve alongside one another as followers of Jesus Christ.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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PRELUDER

"Open Our Eyes" arr. by Peggy Betcher

Dave Howland

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Nancy Hayes

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of the Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

CHORAL INTROIT

What does the Lord require of you? Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.

*Stand in body or spirit

*CALL TO WORSHIP (in unison)

Frank Maynard

Leader: In a world of discord, darkness, and difficulties

Congregation: **Jesus is the light that cannot be extinguished.**

Leader: He illuminates the road before us and opens our hearts to the Living Word.

Congregation: **His light provides life and sustenance to his followers.**

Leader: Let us step into that light with joy

Congregation: **And worship the Light of the World.**

*GATHERING HYMN

"Faith of Our Fathers" #505

*INVOCATION (in unison)

Frank Maynard

Heavenly Father, we come before You with grateful hearts, striving to be salt and light in your world. Help us to preserve what is good and bring flavor to others by sharing Your Word and our faith. You have called us to bring your light to the world, to shine in the darkness, and to reflect the beauty of Your love. Lord, fill us with Your Spirit and let your light shine through us and your goodness flow from us. In all we do, may You be glorified. In the Holy Name of Christ, we pray as Jesus taught us:

*THE LORD'S PRAYER (using Debts and Debtors)

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 debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "Father, I Adore You" #244 (Father, Jesus, Spirit)

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 112:1-9 | Page #563 OT

Frank Maynard

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"All From the Sun's Uprise" by Philip Tomblings

Chancel Choir

A TIME OF SILENCE & MORNING PRAYER

CHORAL AMEN

CALL FOR THE MORNING OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"O Lord, Hear My Prayer"

Frank Maynard

Chancel Choir

*DOXOLOGY (sing in unison) #563

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heavn'ly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*OFFERING PRAYER

SERMON SCRIPTURE READING:

Matthew 5: 13-20 | Page #4 NT

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CHORAL RESPONSE

Your name is known in all the lands, you feed the poor with gentle hands. Your word is true, your works are just; in you, O God, the faithful trust.

MESSAGE

"Sermon on the Hill"

Rev. Nancy Hayes

*SENDING HYMN

"This Little Light of Mine" #466

Rev. Nancy Hayes

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Fanfare and Fugue on 'O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing'"

Dave Howland

by Michael Helman

MUSICIANS: Dave Howland, Danny Reeves and Chancel Choir | **TECHNICIAN:** Moe Elmasry

GREETERS: Walt and Jan Covert | **LITURGIST:** Frank Maynard

We are grateful to have Rev. Nancy Hayes returning to the pulpit this morning. Please see the back page for more information about Rev. Hayes.