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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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PRELUDE "Lord of the Dance" arr. by Wilbur Held Dave Howland

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Wayne McLeod

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.*

**Stand in body or spirit*

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (in unison) Susan Brown

Leader: *God is my shield, who saves the upright in heart.*

Congregation: **God is a righteous judge, and a God who has indignation every day.**

Leader: *I will give to the LORD the thanks due to His righteousness,*

Congregation: **and sing praise to the name of the LORD, the Most High.**

***GATHERING HYMN** "Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven" #201

***INVOCATION** (in unison) Susan Brown

Most Holy God, grant your light upon our worship that our souls cannot miss your presence with us. Confront us here that we will come to recognize you in the midst of our daily work and in our leisure hours. Move us to disciplined living and daring discipleship. Open our eyes and fill us with your Holy Spirit. We pray in Jesus' name,

***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: "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah" #571

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 116 v. 1-4 and 12-19 | Page #565 OT Susan Brown

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM "O Master Let Me Walk With Thee" by Dale Wood Brooke Voeller

A TIME OF SILENCE & MORNING PRAYER Rev. Wayne McLeod

CALL FOR THE MORNING OFFERING Rev. Wayne McLeod

OFFERTORY "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" #227

***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** Rev. Wayne McLeod

SERMON SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 24: 13-35 | Page #90 NT Rev. Wayne McLeod

MESSAGE "Emmaus Road" Rev. Wayne McLeod

***SENDING HYMN** "The Day of Resurrection" #197

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Wayne McLeod

POSTLUDE "Crowned with Honor" by Tom Birchwood Dave Howland

MUSICIANS: Dave Howland and Brooke Voeller | **TECHNICIAN:** Sabrina Rosenstock

GREETER: Michele Fecht **LITURGIST:** Susan Brown

We are grateful to have Rev. Wayne McLeod filling the pulpit this morning. You can read more about Rev. McLeod on the back of the bulletin. Please join us in Fellowship Hall following worship for a time of refreshment and fellowship.