

3. In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,
a wondrous beauty I see,
for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died,
to pardon and sanctify me. [Refrain]

4. To that old rugged cross I will ever be true,
its shame and reproach gladly bear;
then he'll call me some day to my home far away,
where his glory forever I'll share. [Refrain]

Scripture *1 Corinthians 1:18-25* Sandra Wilson

Message *Look at the Cross* Reverend Doug Norris

*Hymn *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* UMH 298

1. When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

*Benediction Reverend Doug Norris

*Alleluia

Postlude *Toccata on "Aberystwyth"* Brenda Portman (b. 1980)

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in
celebration of Scott D. Thomas by Lucy Tompkin.

**Please stand as you are able where indicated by an asterisk.*

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Prelude *Flute of Grace* Mons Leidvin Takle (b. 1948)

Welcome Reverend Doug Norris

Life of the Community Linda Grossman

*Call to Worship Linda Grossman

Happy are we
when our treasures cannot be quantified.
Happy are we
when our knowledge is tempered by mystery.
Happy are we
when our pain is held in the balm of love.
Happy are we
when our delight comes from beyond ourselves.

*Hymn *Lift High the Cross* UMH 159

Refrain:
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.

1. Come, Christians, follow this triumphant sign.
The hosts of God in unity combine. [Refrain]

2. Each newborn servant of the Crucified
bears on the brow the seal of him who died. [Refrain]

3. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee. [Refrain]

4. So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! [Refrain]

VirtuAll Voices *Come As You Are* by D. Crowder, M. Redman, B. Glover

Children's Moment Pamela Cutkosky

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Our Creator who art in heaven, hallowed be your Name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem *My Jesus, I Love Thee* Paul Sjolund

Invitation to the Offering Linda Grossman

Offertory Prayer Linda Grossman

God of all blessings, your beloved Son teaches all we need to know to claim the life you've hoped for us. In spite of that, we live like the rest of the world that is eager to accumulate and reluctant to give, showering adoration on the rich and powerful and pushing the poor and powerless. As we bring to you our gifts, which are the result of your blessings, help us to remember who Jesus called truly blessed! We pray in the name of our teacher and savior. Amen.

Offertory *Prelude on "Amazing Grace"* Ikuko Weller (b. 1962)

*Doxology

*Hymn *The Old Rugged Cross* UMH 504

1. On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
the emblem of suffering and shame;
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best
for a world of lost sinners was slain.

Refrain:
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
and exchange it some day for a crown.

2. O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,
has a wondrous attraction for me;
for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above
to bear it to dark Calvary. [Refrain]