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GREETING

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PRELUDE How Great Thou Art/How Great Is Our God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come to this place as if you are standing on a mountain

top. Consider the view.

People: We see a clear blue sky with birds flying above.

Leader: Look down into the valley. What do you imagine you see?

People: We see treetops and trails; browning leaves that flutter

as they fall to the ground.

Leader: Be aware of your breathing. Are you panting from the walk

up the slope or are you breathing at your regular pace?

People: We are aware of our breath as we observe God's

magnificent Spirit living among us.

Leader: Settle into this place allowing yourself to be present to

God. Let us be the church at worship.

OPENING PRAYER (unison)

I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

*HYMN Jesus Calls Us, o'er the Tumult N 172

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE Luke 19:1-10

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way.

When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

SERMON What Heights Will We Go To? Rev. Laura Biddle ANTHEM Here I Am, Lord Brookside Choir

PRAYERS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done: Creator, Christ, and Spirit One.

*HYMN Be Now My Vision N 451

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Lord I Lift Your Name On High

Deacon of the Week: Debi Rapson Reader: Judy Mitchell

Spirit Squad: The Drewry Family Sound Technician: Peter VanAmburg

Technology: Brian Brady

Please Remember in Prayer

Cliff and Martha Church
Julie Cleary
The Drewry Family
The Family of Stephen Ferranti
Linda Fleming

Jean Peterson Anne Lachance Diane Mavrogeorge Anna O'Donnell

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Advent/Christmas Decorating - Sunday, November 23

Christian Formation is in need of volunteers to help with decorating the sanctuary for the Advent/Christmas season on Sunday, 11/23, after worship. If you are available to help, please come and join in on the fun!

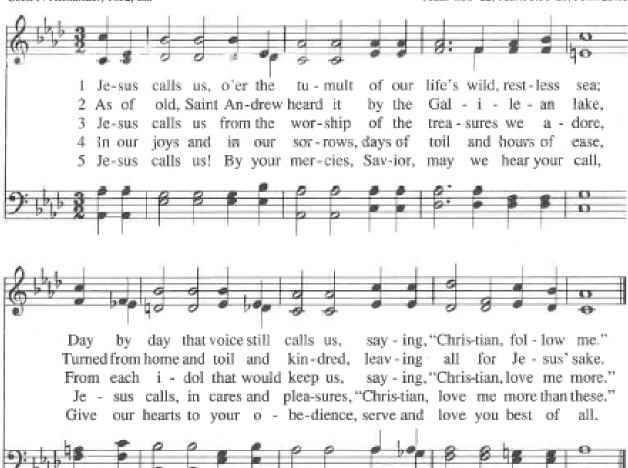
Advent Bible Study

Rev. Laura will be leading her traditional Advent Bible Study on Thursdays, December 4, 11, and 18 at 6:00 pm, on Zoom. If you would like to participate, please contact the office at admin@brooksidecc.org

In light of the current situation with SNAP, additional food donations will be delivered to the food pantry monthly.

Cecil F. Alexander, 1852; alt.

Matt. 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-20; John 21:15



Be Now My Vision

Ancient Irish text, c. 8th century; transl. Mary E. Byrne, 1905 Versified by Eleanor H. Hull, 1912; adapt.

