

*Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.*

INVOCATION (all)

Eternal God our Heavenly Father,

Thank you for sending your Son to rescue us from sin and from ourselves.

Thank you for the new creation, for regenerating new life, for the new law of love, and for the ministry of reconciliation. Honor yourself in our praise and worship this day. May we reflect the body of Christ and experience the risen presence of Jesus and the new creation, new life gift. May the good news of Jesus live in us today.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (all)

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Romance", Rubinstein

Roy Campbell

THE WORD OF GOD

The Old Testament: Ezekiel 36:24-27

The New Testament: Galatians 5:16-18

Lay Reader Susan Gilchrist

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Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Speaking of Bread" (Luke 11:1-13)

Pastor Rob Swanson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Faith of Our Fathers"

Roy Campbell

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from who all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN #1 “Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”**

*1 Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home:*

*2 Under the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure.*

*3 Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“Ice Castles”, Donald Wrye

Roy Campbell

*Please stand if you are able

We welcome this morning, the Rev. Rob Swanson. Rev. Swanson has served as a missionary and pastor for 38 years. He is author of The Bible Reader’s Companion and teaches at the Cape Cod Academy of Lifelong Learning. He and his wife Heather have 3 children, 10 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren and live in Centerville.

Missions for December & January

The mission for December and January is to collect monetary donations for the purchase of tarps and disposable ponchos for the homeless. Please make your checks payable to the church but note "Missions" on the memo line. Thank you for your continued generosity."

This Week

Sunday, December 28 – No Faith Formation today
Worship Service, 10:00 am (S)
Coffee Hour, 11:00 am (BH)
NA, 6:00 pm (BH)

Monday, December 29 – AA, 7:30 pm (BMR)

Thursday, January 1 – The Church Office is closed

Saturday, January 3 – NA, 7:30 pm, (BMR)

Sunday, January 4 – Worship Service, 10:00 am (S)
Coffee Hour, 11:00 am (BH)
NA, 6:00 pm (BH)

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