

**PRESBYTERY OF WEST VIRGINIA STAFF-LED WORSHIP  
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**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**NELLIE HOWARD AND AMY ROBINSON**

One: We serve the Creator,

**Many: who loves us into life.**

One: We follow Christ,

**Many: who loves us unto death.**

One: We listen for the Spirit,

**Many: who loves us into transformation.**

One: We worship God,

**Many: whose love knows no bounds.**

**HYMN**

**“WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD”**

**BARBARA CHALFANT**

1 We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;  
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.  
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;  
we bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.

2 We worship you, God of our fathers and mothers;  
through trial and tempest our guide you have been.  
When perils o’ertake us, you will not forsake us,  
and with your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.

3 With voices united our praises we offer  
and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.  
With you, Lord, beside us, your strong arm will guide us.  
To you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**MARK MILLER**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**AMY ROBINSON**

**You love us with open arms, O God. Forgive us when we do not put your love into practice: when we do not challenge the injustice around us; when we are not generous with the gifts we have to share; when we are slow to compassion and quick to judgment; when we contribute to the brokenness of the world instead of helping to make it whole. Forgive us, O God, of the ways we fall short. Free us to try again, and let your love lead the way. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**MARK MILLER**

One: God loves us, cares for us, forgives us, and even crowns us with honor and glory. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Many: Thanks be to God.**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SUSAN SHARP CAMPBELL**

**SCRIPTURE**

**PHILIPPIANS 4:10-14**

**SARAH SPECHT**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**ED THOMPSON**

**SERMON**

**SARAH SPECHT**

**HYMN**

**"JESUS CALLS US"**

**BARBARA CHALFANT**

1 Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea;  
day by day his sweet voice soundeth saying, "Christian, follow me."

2 Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store,  
from each idol that would keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more."

3 In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."

4 Jesus calls us: by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thy obedience, serve and love thee best of all.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**MAUREEN WRIGHT**

**OFFERING**

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**ROCKY POOLE**

**SUSAN SHARP CAMPBELL**

**ROCKY POOLE**

**HYMN**

**"TAKE MY LIFE"**

**BARBARA CHALFANT**

1 Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise;  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2 Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love;  
take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee,  
swift and beautiful for thee.

3 Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King;  
take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee,  
filled with messages from thee.

4 Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold;  
take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose,  
every power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne,  
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself and I will be ever, only, all for thee,  
ever, only, all for thee.

## **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**SARAH SPECHT**

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