Gathering

Prelude

Call to Worship

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: God of grace: We have come for a glimpse of your kingdom of kindness,

All: a world where love rules over all, a world where enemies embrace, a world where the distinctions between friend and foe evaporate in the light of your love. One: Knowing you have the power to transform us, we give our lives over to you, body, soul, mind, spirit.

One: In Jesus’ name, Amen.

HWB 580 My Life Flows On

Welcome

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Prayer for Peace

Praising

HWB 577 Oh Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

Children’s Time (STS 47)

Let the children come to me; let the children come.

Never hinder them; never stop them. O let the children come.

STJ 105 Don’t Be Afraid

Receiving God’s Word

John 3:14-21

Ephesians 2:1-10

One: For the word of God in Scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us

All: Thanks be to God

Meditation
Responding

HWB 530 *What Wondrous Love Is This*

Confession and Assurance (HWB 706)

**One:** Because of God's great love for you and God's rich mercy for all, you are truly forgiven.

**All:** We will live as those who are truly loved and truly forgiven, through the gift of God's grace.

Sharing and Prayer

Offering

Sending

Announcements

HWB 150 *Wonderful Grace Of Jesus*

Benediction

Extinguishing the Peace Lamp

**One:** Now the light of Christ is in you

**All:** Thanks be to God

Announcements

**Lent At Home Resource**

You can nurture your children’s faith at home this Lent and Easter with family worship. Find a free, downloadable guide at www.anabaptistfaithformation.org. For use between February 14 and April 1 (Easter Sunday). It includes a daily Bible reading, short litany, songs, hands-on activities and questions to ponder together.

**Thanks from MCC!**

We at Mennonite Central Committee (MCC), along with our partners around the world, are blessed by your continuing support for the work of MCC. Thank you, friends and supporters at Chicago Community Mennonite, for the many ways you contribute to the work of MCC. In addition to the donations, energy and time you give at relief sales, thrift shops, meat canning and with material resources, your congregation contributed $741 in 2017.

We are especially grateful for your prayer support for MCC’s work. Whether in Lebanon, Bangladesh, Nigeria, Ukraine or Appalachia, your support is sharing God’s love and compassion through relief, development and peace in the name of Christ. Thank you! Krista, MCC Great Lakes

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**CCMC Connect Card**

We are glad you have joined us for worship! The best way to plug into our congregation is to sign up for our listserv and directory. Bring this card to the Welcome Table in the fellowship hall following worship to receive a welcome gift. You may also drop it in the offering plate or the basket on the greeter table.

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