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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2014, 4PM

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## Call to Worship

“For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.” Matthew 18:20

## Prayer (read in unison)\*

**We need your presence on the long road, Lord.  
The road between fear and hope,  
The road between the place where all is lost and the place of resurrection.  
Like the disciples walking the road to Emmaus, we are in need of your company.  
Jesus, stand among us, in your risen power, let this time of worship be a hallowed hour.**

## Psalm 13: A Psalm of Lament

Reader: Tom Van Heyningen

How long, Lord? Will you forget me forever?  
How long will you hide your face from me?  
How long must I wrestle with my thoughts and day after day have sorrow in my heart?  
How long will my enemy triumph over me?

Look on me and answer, Lord my God.  
Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep in death,  
And my enemy will say, “I have overcome him,”  
And my foes will rejoice when I fall.

But I trust in your unfailing love;  
My heart rejoices in your salvation.  
I will sing the Lord’s praise,  
For he has been good to me.

## Song

Great is thy Faithfulness

## Testimony

Rebecca Ferris

## Scripture Reading

II Corinthians 1:3-7

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. For just as we share abundantly in the sufferings of Christ, so also our comfort abounds through Christ. If we are distressed, it is for your comfort and salvation; if we are comforted, it is for your

comfort, which produces in you patient endurance of the same sufferings we suffer. And our hope for you is firm, because we know that just as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our comfort.”

### **Message: “Lament and Comfort”**

Rev. Mark Stephenson, Director of CRC Disability Concerns

### **Song**

**On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand**

### **Time of Prayer**

Jill Bates, Director of the Calvin College Communication Disorders Clinic

### **Communion**

### **Blessing**

Rev. Mark Stephenson

### **Closing Song**

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

## Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father!  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

### Refrain

**Great is Thy faithfulness**

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**Morning by morning new mercies I see;**

**All I have needed Thy hand hath provided**

**Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

### Refrain

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

### Refrain

## On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name.

### Refrain

**On Christ the solid Rock I stand**

**All other ground is sinking sand;**

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His oath, His covenant, His blood,  
Support me in the whelming flood.  
When all around my soul gives way,  
He then is all my Hope and Stay.

### Refrain

When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
Oh, may I then in Him be found.  
Dressed in His righteousness alone,  
Faultless to stand before the throne.

### Refrain

