

Voluntary

Announcements and Welcome

Call to Worship: From Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the mountains – where does my help come from?

My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot slip – he who watches over you will not slumber.

Indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord watches over you – the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

The sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all harm – he will watch over your life;

The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

***Hymn 330 – Our Help Is in the Name of God**

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we confess that we have tried to bless ourselves with the efforts of our own hands and the fruits of our own labors. Instead of celebrating in you, we have placed our joy and our hope in things that last for only a moment and distract us from you.

We ask that you would forgive our shortsightedness and remind us of your plan for the world and your glory which will remain forever. We ask that you would remind us of the value of your creation, but most importantly the value of your children.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers... (Silent prayers)

Assurance of Pardon

Our God receives our prayers and responds with mercy and kindness. It brings joy to God when we put aside the things which distract and tempt us and renew our dedication to serving the Church. Let us celebrate God's mercy together.