# MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH A SERVICE OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, January 30, 2022, 10:30 a.m. Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

### Welcome and Greeting

**Prelude:** "Soon and Very Soon" (Andrae Crouch, arr. Phillip Keveran)

### **Opening Sentences**

Hymn 42: "God the Omnipotent"

# **Opening Prayer**

Special Music: "Steal Away" (African-American Spiritual, arr. Lloyd Larson)

#### Giving and Receiving of Our Gifts Doxology

### Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

### Gospel Reading: Luke 4:21-30

Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.' All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?' He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say, "Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum." ' And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up for three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.' When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

# Sermon: "A SERMON THAT INCITES"

# Hymn 294: "God Binds Us with a Mighty Cord"

### **Benediction**

# Response 575 (v. 2): "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name"

Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way; with Thee began, with Thee shall end the day; guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame, that in this house have called upon Thy name.

# Greet One Another

<u>Today's Participants</u>: Pastor Mark and DeeAnn McCormick, Barb and Jerry Fuller, April Lakatos, Justin Stephens, Aaron Galbreath



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**GOD'S REVELATION** 

# God Binds Us with a Mighty Cord

Joanne Reynolds

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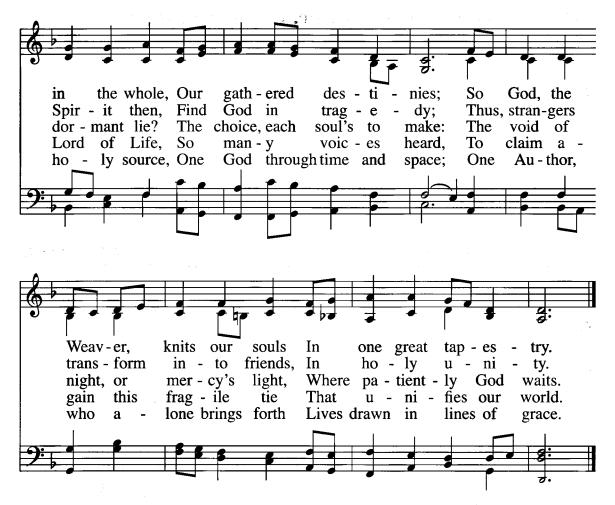
Arr. and harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

English Melody



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**GOD'S REVELATION** 



By Your Holy Spirit, O God, You bind us together as one body, and empower us to carry on the ministry that You enfleshed as Christ. In our differences, and in our moments when we wander away from one another, unite us anew. Give us fresh eyes to see the ways in which You have connected us, rather than the ways we have separated ourselves. We pray also for opportunities to strengthen the bonds between us. Send us out, but send us together, to exercise our ministry, following the directives You give us; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Rev. Shawn P. Stapleton