**Worship – Sunday, September 4, 2022**

\*Hymn: “We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer” #62

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude: “Let Us Rejoice in the Lord Always” – Barbara McKay

Invitation to Worship:

Eyes that peer into a computer screen,
**Minds that search for the teachable truths,**Hands that juggle figures or transform blank canvases into colorful scenes,
**Fingers that turn written scrawl into poetry and verse,**Arms that carry a newly crafted cabinet or a stack of the day's newspapers,
**Minds and bodies, laboring for the good, working for justice, hoping the work makes a difference in the divine order.
*All: God receives our labor and fits it into the whirling universe. Each effort offered in love is a gift to our gracious God who***

***welcomes our work and cherishes our praise.***

Invocation & Lord’s Prayer

Scripture Reading: Psalm 1 – Ginni Butler

Children’s Message – Laureen Galayda

Scripture: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Sermon: “Choose Life So That You May Live” – Pastor Sharon

Hymn: “Living for Jesus” #379 vs. 1 & 2

Prayer Time

Hymn: “Living for Jesus” #379 vs. 4

Invitation & Sharing of the Bread & the Cup

\*Hymn: “Blest Be the Tie that Binds” #337 vs. 1 & 4

Benediction

\*Hymn: “God Be with You ‘til We Meet Again” #323 vs. 1

Postlude: “Lead Me Lord” – Les Marsh

\*Those who are able, please stand.

**Psalm 1**

1Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

2but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night.

3They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

4The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

5Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

6for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.