

Welcome
Call to Worship VT#851

Prayer

Songs

Reconciling Prayer VT#890

Song

Children's time

Scripture Genesis 12:1-3, Romans 4:13-17

Sermon Encounter of Grace - It's for the Journey

Songs Great is Thy faithfulness VT#419
Blessed be the ties that bind VT#831

Sharing/Pastoral prayer

Offering Song

Announcements – Thanks for your continued generosity in your giving. With today we have two Sundays left in our fiscal year and a budget goal of \$7,000.
--The Church Board plans for worship to continue outside through September. Phil, Steve and Cal will monitor COVID in our area over the weeks ahead.

SENDING VT#1058

Song VT#832

Genesis 12 The Call of Abram

12 The Lord had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you.

²"I will make you into a great nation,
and I will bless you;

I will make your name great,
and you will be a blessing.^[a]

³I will bless those who bless you,
and whoever curses you I will curse;

and all peoples on earth

will be blessed through you.”^[b]

⁴ So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran. ⁵ He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the people they had acquired in Harran, and they set out for the land of Canaan, and they arrived there.

Romans 4:13-17 ¹³ It was not through the law that Abraham and his offspring received the promise that he would be heir of the world, but through the righteousness that comes by faith. ¹⁴ For if those who depend on the law are heirs, faith means nothing and the promise is

worthless, ¹⁵ **because the law brings wrath. And where there is no law there is no transgression.**

¹⁶ Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham’s offspring—not only to those who are of the law but also to those who have the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all. ¹⁷ As it is written: “I have made you a father of many nations.”^[a] He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed—the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not.

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With the Grace of God in my journey with others, I...

...am willing to accept things less than perfect.

...do not take everything personally.

...hold hope and do not give up and quit.

...carry an acceptance that distinguishes between unity and uniformity.

...extend mercy in evaluation, not judgment.

...live in a balance with truth.