Texts: Romans 5:1-11

Theme: Justification & Peace

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship From Psalm 29

Leader: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; **People:** The voice of the Lord is full of majesty!

Leader: The LORD sits enthroned over all; **People:** The LORD is enthroned forever!

Leader: May the LORD give strength to God's people!

People: May the LORD bless God's people with peace!

Hymn (see below for options)

Call to Confession

We worship a loving God, who loves us beyond measure. Yet, we know that we worship imperfectly and too often choose to pull away from the God of love. However, since we know our God always responds in love, let us confess together where we fall short:

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we confess that we do not do the things you would have us to. We confess that we do the things that you do not wish for us. Forgive us. Have mercy on us. Teach us to walk in your ways, even when we would rather choose our own direction. Bless us with your guidance and presence.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Friends, know this: that as we stand before God, God forgives us. God is always there, ready to bring us back into relationship. We are blessed beyond measure. Rejoice, for you are forgiven. Now go and serve the Lord. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Scripture: Romans 5:1-11 – Video Recording

Sermon – Video Recording

Hymn (see below for options)

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

Let us pray...

Loving and merciful God, we thank you that by the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we have been found to be justified in your sight. We have been given peace. We have been given the opportunity and blessing to be your people. We thank you and praise you for this amazing gift of amazing grace. So, now, as your people, we bow before and ask your presence, your guidance, your blessing upon us, our community, our nation, our world. As your people, we lift up our voices to you.

Hear us today as we pray for your people... (sharing concerns and joys from the congregation or allowing them time to share them either spoken aloud or silently to God)

Offering Doxology Prayer of dedication

God of grace, receive these offerings and put them to work for your kingdom and for your glory. And put us all to work as well, that everything we do may reflect your love and grace. Amen.

Hymn (see below for options)

Challenge and Benediction – Video Recording

## **Hymn Options**

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove Crown Him with Many Crowns I Danced in the Morning How Great Thou Art Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us