ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 3, 2025

"Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker! For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand." - Psalm 95: 6-7

WELCOME—ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 30:2-4

O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit. Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.

WORSHIP IN SONG The Joy Of The Lord

The joy of the Lord will be my strength. I will not falter, I will not faint. He is my Shepherd, I am not afraid. The joy of the Lord is my strength.

The joy of the Lord, The joy of the Lord, The joy of the Lord is my strength.

The joy of the Lord will be my strength. He will uphold me all of my days. I am surrounded by mercy and grace. And the joy of the Lord is my strength.

The joy of the Lord will be my strength. And I will not waver, walking by faith. He will be strong to deliver me safe. The joy of the Lord is my strength.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Our Father, forgive us for thinking small thoughts of you and for ignoring your immensity and greatness. Lord Jesus, forgive us when we forget that you rule the nations, and our small lives. Holy Spirit, we offend you in minimizing your power and squandering your gifts. We confess that our blindness to your glory, O triune God, has resulted in shallow confession, cool conviction, and only mild repentance. Have mercy upon us, in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Colossians 2:13-14

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

WORSHIP IN SONG Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see: all I have needed Thy hand hath provided-Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not; as Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above, join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

[Kids from Preschool to Kindergarten (ages 3-6) may be dismissed to Kids' Worship. Teachers are waiting to lead them out of the sanctuary.]

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Scripture: Lamentations 3: 1-3, 19-41

Sermon: "Wisdom for the Ages: Lamentations" - Jay Brown

WORSHIP IN SONG I Will Wait For You (Psalm 130)

Lord, from the depths I call to You, Lord, hear me from on high. And give attention to my voice, when I for mercy cry.

Lord, in your presence who can stand, if You our sins record? But yet, forgiveness is with You, that we may fear You, Lord.

Out of the depths I cry to You, in darkest places I will call. Incline Your ear to me anew, and hear my cry for mercy, Lord.

Were You to count my sinful ways, how could I come before Your throne? Yet, full forgiveness meets my gaze, I stand redeemed by grace alone.

I will wait for You, I will wait for You, On Your word I will rely. I will wait for You, surely wait for You till my soul is satisfied.

So, put Your hope in God alone, take courage in His power to save, Completely and forever won by Christ emerging from the grave.

His steadfast love has made a way, and God Himself has paid the price, That all who trust in Him today find healing in His sacrifice.

I will wait for You, I will wait for You, through the storm and through the night. I will wait for You, surely wait for You, for Your love is my delight.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Partaking of the Elements: Words of Institution

WORSHIP IN SONG We Will Feast In The House Of Zion

We will feast in the house of Zion. We will sing with our hearts restored. He has done great things, we will say together. We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord, our God. We are not consumed by the flood; upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid. For the promised morning, oh, how long? Oh, God of Jacob, be my strength.

Every vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the faithful one. And from the garden to the grave, bind us together, bring shalom.

BENEDICTION