

ORDER OF WORSHIP

December 7, 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 *Genesis 3:14-15*

The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

WORSHIP IN SONG *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!*

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates! Behold, the King of glory waits;
The King of kings is drawing near, the Savior of the world is here.

O blest the land, the city blest, where Christ the Ruler is confessed!
O happy hearts and happy homes to whom this King in triumph comes!

Fling wide the portals of your heart. Make it a temple set apart
From earthy use, for heaven’s employ, adorned with prayer and love and joy.

Redeemer come, we open wide our hearts to Thee; here Lord abide.
Thine inner presence let us feel; Thy grace and love in us reveal.

CONFESSION OF SIN

O promised Savior, we live in a world plagued by conflict and war. Our peace depends on your coming. We are a sinful people. Our pardon depends on your coming. We are full of good intentions but weak at keeping promises; our only hope of doing God's will is that you should come and enable us to do it. Lord Jesus, you are the Word made flesh; we your people ask for your pardon, we wait for your peace to break all across the earth, and we thank you again for your grace beyond measure. Even so, come Lord Jesus. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *Isaiah 1:18*

*Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD:
though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.*

WORSHIP IN SONG *All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name*

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all;
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all;
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all!

O that with all the sacred throng we at His feet may fall;
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all;
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*[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: *Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 9:6-7*

New Testament Reading: Luke 1:26-28

Sermon: *“Messengers of the Messiah's Birth: Mary” - David Story*

WORSHIP IN SONG *What a Beautiful Name*

You were the Word at the beginning, one with God the Lord Most High.
Your hidden glory in creation, now revealed in You, our Christ.

*What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this.
What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.*

You didn't want heaven without us, so Jesus, You brought heaven down.
My sin was great, Your love was greater; what could separate us now?

*What a wonderful Name it is, what a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a wonderful Name it is, nothing compares to this.
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.*

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You.
You silence the boast of sin and grave.
The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory for You are raised to life again.

You have no rival, You have no equal. Now and forever God, You reign.
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory. Yours is the Name above all names.

*What a powerful Name it is, what a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand against.
What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.*

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Profession of Faith: *The Apostles’ Creed*

Partaking of the Elements: *Words of Institution*

WORSHIP IN SONG *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth Thou art,
Dear Desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever, now Thy gracious Kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
by Thine all sufficient merit, raise us to Thy glorious throne.

BENEDICTION