

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 26, 2026

“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 2:10-12*

Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth. Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

WORSHIP IN SONG *There is a Fountain*

There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel's veins,
and sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains:
lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains;
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The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day,
and there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away:
wash all my sins away, wash all my sins away;
and there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood shall never lose its pow'r,
till all the ransomed Church of God be saved to sin no more:
be saved to sin no more, be saved to sin no more;
till all the ransomed Church of God be saved to sin no more.

E'er since, by faith, I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply,
redeeming love has been my theme and shall be till I die:
and shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;
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When this poor lisp'ing, stamm'ring tongue lies silent in the grave,
then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing Thy pow'r to save,
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CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy and merciful God, for the times we have followed the path of the wicked, stood in solidarity with those who were wrong, or sat quietly and allowed sin to happen, forgive us. Help us to meditate, even delight, in your Word so that we will flourish with the fruit of your Spirit, we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *Rom 5:6-8*

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die-- but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

WORSHIP IN SONG *And Can It Be*

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

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He left His Father's throne above; so free, so infinite His grace.
Emptied Himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray, I woke, the dungeon flamed with light.
My chains fell off; my heart was free. I rose, went forth and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine;
bold I approach the eternal throne and claim the crown,
through Christ, my own.

WORSHIP IN SONG *How Rich a Treasure We Posses*

How rich a treasure we possess in Jesus Christ, our Lord.
His blood, our ransom and defense; His glory, our reward.
The sum of all created things is worthless in compare,
for our inheritance is Him whose praise angels declare.

How free and costly was the love displayed upon the cross!
While we were dead in untold sin, the Sovereign purchased us.
The will of God, the Father demonstrated through the Son.
The Spirit seals the greatest work--the work which Christ has done.

How vast and measureless the flood of mercy unrestrained!
The penalty was paid in full; the spotless Lamb was slain.
Salvation, what a priceless gift, received by grace through faith.
We stand in robes of righteousness; we stand in Jesus' Name.

For Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory.
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Amen. Amen. Amen.

NEW CITY CATECHISM *Question 17*

What is idolatry?

Idolatry is trusting in created things rather than the Creator for our hope and happiness, significance and security.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORSHIP IN SONG *Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul*

Dear refuge of my weary soul, on Thee when sorrows rise,
on Thee when waves of trouble roll, my fainting hope relies.
To Thee I tell each rising grief, for Thou alone canst heal.
Thy Word can bring a sweet relief, for every pain I feel.

But oh! when gloomy doubts prevail, I fear to call Thee mine,
the springs of comfort seem to fail, and all my hopes decline;
yet, gracious God, where shall I flee? Thou art my only trust.
And still my soul would cleave to Thee, though prostrate in the dust.

Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face. And shall I seek in vain?
And can the ear of sovereign grace be deaf when I complain?
No, still the ear of sovereign grace attends the mourner's prayer.
Oh may I ever find access, to breathe my sorrows there.

Thy mercy seat is open still; here let my soul retreat,
with humble hope attend Thy will, and wait beneath Thy feet.
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**We welcome all ages in worship! However, Room 5 is also equipped as a "Grace and Giggles Room" where a parent/guardian and their child can watch the service and enjoy quiet activities. Our Nursery, in Room 2, is available for children 3 and under.*

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Scripture: *2 Timothy 3:1-9*

Sermon: *“Equipped for Good: Opposition” - David Story*

WORSHIP IN SONG *Let Your Kingdom Come*

Your glorious cause, O God, engages our hearts.
May Jesus Christ be known wherever we are.
We ask not for ourselves, but for Your renown,
the cross has saved us so we pray, “Your kingdom come.”

*Let Your kingdom come, let Your will be done,
so that everyone might know Your Name.
Let Your song be heard everywhere on earth,
till Your sovereign work on earth is done.
Let Your kingdom come.*

Give us Your strength, O God, and courage to speak.
Perform Your wondrous deeds through those who are weak.
Lord, use us as You want, whatever the test.
By grace we'll preach Your Gospel till our dying breath.

BENEDICTION