

Tradition 1. a time-honored practice
2. the passing down of elements of a culture
from generation to generation



Aug. 3, 2025

8 and 11 AM Worship

PRELUDE	"Lift High the Cross"	Busarow
WELCOME		
CHORUS (8 AM)	"Spirit Song" (verse 2)	347
SPECIAL MUSIC (11 AM)	"God So Loved"	Lana Birch

PREPARING OUR HEARTS

*WE'RE CALLED TO WORSHIP

Leader: The grace of Christ Jesus be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: We each have a right to be here, a right not based on our righteousness but on God's free grace.

People: O give thanks to our God who is good, whose saving love endures forever.

Leader: Let those who are redeemed by God declare it, rescued from trouble and gathered from many lands.

People: From the east and from the west, from the north and from the south, give thanks to God who is always good!

*OPENING HYMN	"Lift High the Cross"	159
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*CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER/SILENT PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: When we could be revived by God's grace, we find ourselves fearing God's judgment, doubting God's joy in us, worrying that God has turned away from us. Let us come to our God who heals us and calls each of us by name. Let us pray.

People: You hold nothing back from us, Amazing God, yet we are determined to cling to what we have accumulated. We spend so much time eating out, we cannot feel the deep ache our hunger for You causes. You invite us to set aside our old ways, and walk with You, but unknown paths fill us with fear. Have mercy on us, Bread of Heaven. We come to the Table of Grace and Hope, not for our personal satisfaction, but for the joy of recognizing the One who calls us to new life, and for the grace to share this joy with everyone we meet. This we pray in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

GREETING

HEARING GOD'S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC (8 AM)	"God So Loved"	Lana Birch
SCRIPTURE	Romans 15:4-9; 13	
HYMN	"I've Got Peace Like a River"	2145
MESSAGE	"Joy"	Pastor Rob

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

GIVING TO GOD	<i>In love, God gives us more than enough, and we spread God's love by generously sharing what we have received.</i>	
OFFERTORY	"I've Got Peace Like a River"	Tucker
*RESPONSE	"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"	95
*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING		
COMMUNION		

TAKING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN	"I'm Goin'a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing"	333
*BENEDICTION		
*POSTLUDE	"Lift High the Cross"	Callahan