

John Knox Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
August 3, 2025



GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

**Those who are able, please stand*

PRELUDE

*INTROIT: HYMN 2

Come, Thou Almighty King, v. 1

ITALIAN HYMN

***Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing;
help us to praise:***

***Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.***

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Bob Phillis
Psalm 34:1,3,8

I will bless the Lord at all times;

God's praise shall always be in my mouth.

O magnify the Lord with me.

Let us exalt the name of the Lord together.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Happy are all who find refuge in God.

*HYMN 624

I Greet thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

TOULON

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Relying on God's grace,
let us confess our sin together.

**Almighty God,
you are the ground and source of our being.
Why then do we seek our fulfillment elsewhere?
Why do we pursue vain idols, which cannot help,
and ignore the God whose power can do anything?
Why do we hunger for love ourselves
but starve others of our attention and affection?
In our sin we distort your image within us
and we dishonor your image in others.**

**Lord, your touch alone can heal us,
your grace alone can forgive us.
For your glory, grant us this blessing,
through Jesus Christ our Savior.**

Silent Confession

***LORD, HAVE MERCY**

***Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.***

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

1 Timothy 1:15

Friends, hear the good news!
The saying is sure, and worthy of full acceptance:
Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.
We can trust the good news of God's love:
In Jesus Christ we are freed and forgiven!

***RESPONDING IN PRAISE**

Hymn 582, v.1

Sing twice

***Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

LIFE AND WORK AT JOHN KNOX

At this time, K3s, K4s and K5s are invited to join Children's Church on the Nursery Hall for a time of learning and fun. Parents, please pick up your children there after the worship service.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 44:9-20
Pew Bible p. 587

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 17:22-34
Pew Bible p. 902

The grass withers, the flower fades,
The Word of our God will stand forever.

SERMON

"Grasping for God"

Gordon Turnbull

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed
Hymnal, p.35

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory Anthem

At the Table of the Lord

Jay Althouse

*Doxology

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right, and our greatest joy,
to give you thanks and praise . . .

LORD'S PRAYER ("debts...debtors")

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN 523**

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

BICENTENNIAL

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: HYMN 839**

ASSURANCE

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!, v. 1

***Blessed assurance, Jesus is Mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.
This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;***

POSTLUDE

Thanks to Betty Ward for playing the piano in worship this morning.

Worship Team

Campbell Ballard
Justin Cazel
Bobby Mock
Carter Rief
Rob Wright

Grace Berardo
Jacob deMaine
Lillian Pelletier
Caroline Robertson

Mark Britt
Susan Felton
Carol Phillips
Gordon Turnbull

Luke Browder
Parker Johnson
Scott Reichen
Ava Watson

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