

# WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST

GREETING

PRELUDE *Glory to His Name* arr. Jordan

+CALL TO WORSHIP

God of all love and peace, we come to you in faith,  
offering you every part of our lives.

**May we not grow weary in doing good.**

Keep us from idleness, and from being busybodies;

**May we not grow weary in doing good.**

Enable us to do our work quietly in a manner that pleases you;

**May we not grow weary in doing good.**

Help us to do the work you have given us with industry and diligence;

**May we not grow weary in doing good.**

We look to you, Lord of all, mindful of our helplessness,

**Glorify your name in the midst of our need.**

[excerpted from a longer prayer, posted on **Oratio Contemplativa**.  
<https://oratiocontemplativa.wordpress.com/tag/2-thessalonians-36-13/>]

+HYMN *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* # 110

KID'S TIME

ANTHEM *Everlasting Arms* Sanctuary Choir

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms. What a blessedness,  
what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms. Leaning, oh leaning, safe and secure  
from all alarms; leaning on the everlasting arms. Oh how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
leaning on the everlasting arms. Oh how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on  
the everlasting arms. What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting  
arms? I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms.

# WE PROCLAIM THE WORD AND RESPOND IN FAITH

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 65: 17-25

PSALTER Isaiah 12

You will say on that day: "I will give thanks to you, O Lord,  
**for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away,  
and you comforted me.**

Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and will not be afraid,  
**for the Lord is my strength and my might;  
he has become my salvation."**

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

**And you will say on that day: "Give thanks to the Lord;  
call on his name; make known his deeds among the nations;  
proclaim that his name is exalted.**

Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously;  
**let this be known in all the earth.**

Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion,  
**for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."**

SECOND LESSON II Thessalonians 3: 6-13

+GOSPEL LESSON Luke 21: 5-19

+ACCLAMATION *Gloria Patri* # 70

SERMON

+HYMN *My Hope Is Built* # 368

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES

Announcements & Stewardship Presentation

Offertory *Day By Day* arr. Livingston

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

+HYMN *Forth in Thy Name, O Lord* # 438

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *The Thanks of God* Paxton

Staff and Worship Assistants:  
Pastor: Anne Ferguson      Worship Media: Jamie Hannah      Sound Tech: Arthur Sievers  
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Director of Youth Ministries: Will Pontious      Office Manager: Carol Wintersteen  
Directors of Family Ministries: Anne Winecke & Sarah Peterson  
Organist: Gloria Cardoni

Service of the Word

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
16 November 2025



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