

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE LORD'S DAY

NOVEMBER 23rd, 2025

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

We prepare our hearts to come in the Lord's presence, and orient ourselves to worship.

Our worship begins with a scriptural call for God's people to worship. In this way, our gathered worship is a conversation initiated by God between himself and his people.

We humbly ask Jesus to preside and to represent us before the Father. We ask the Holy Spirit to fill us and inform us and dedicate the service to the Lord.

We are a Confessional Church. We choose to stand shoulder to shoulder with those saints who have gone before us. We embrace the timeless doctrinal truths of the Gospel.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

MEDITATION IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

"In singing this Psalm we ought to be much affected with the malignity of sin; and, if we have not such troubles as are here described, we know not how soon we may have, and therefore must sing of them by way of preparation, and we know that others may have them, and therefore we must sing of them by way of sympathy."

- Matthew Henry, *A Commentary on the Whole Bible*, Vol. 3, pg. 377.

† CORPORATE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 103:1-5

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

All: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

† PRAYER OF INVOCATION

† HYMN OF PRAISE

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
Hymn No. 164

† CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q. No. 14
Westminster Larger Catechism, Q. No. 28

Leader: Let us confess together what we believe: What is sin?

All: Sin is any want of conformity unto, or transgression of, the law of God.

GOD CLEANSES US

Within the context of our relationship with God, we are invited in safety, not shame, to consider our sins. God loves us in spite of our sins. We rehearse this truth each week by confessing our sins corporately and leaning into his renewal, restoration, and cleansing.

The scripture that follows our confession assures us of God's forgiveness, grace and pardon. This is the good news.

Our giving is an act of worship; it is both a response of gratitude for God's generosity toward us and a sign of faith in God's future provision.

Leader: What are the punishments of sin in this world?

All: The punishments of sin in this world are either inward, as blindness of mind, a reprobate sense, strong delusions, hardness of heart, horror of conscience, and vile affections; or outward, as the curse of God upon the creatures for our sakes, and all other evils that befall us in our bodies, names, estates, relations, and employments; together with death itself.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: Let us now confess our sins before our God:

All: "Eternal Father, You are good beyond all thought, But I am vile, wretched, miserable and blind; My lips are ready to confess, but my heart is slow to feel, and my ways reluctant to change. I bring my soul to thee; break it, wound it, bend it, mold it. Unmask me to sin's deformity, that I may hate it, abhor it, flee from it. My faculties have been a weapon of revolt against thee; as a rebel I have misused my strength, and served the foul adversary of thy kingdom. Give me grace to wail my insensate folly, Grant me to know that the ways of transgressors is hard, that evil paths are wretched paths, that to depart from thee is to lose all good...All these sins I mourn, lament, and for them cry pardon. Work in me more profound and abiding repentance; Give me the fullness of a godly grief that trembles and fears, yet ever trusts and loves...Grant that through the tears of repentance I may see more clearly the brightness and glories of the saving cross."¹ In Christ's name. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF PERSONAL SIN

PROMISE OF PARDONING GRACE

Colossians 2:13-14

Leader: And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

CHORAL ANTHEM

Come With Thanksgiving
Lyrics pg. 6

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Elder, Kevin Welmaker

**GOD
COMMUNICATES
WITH US**

God's Word itself has power. The Preaching of God's Word is one of the chief means of grace by which God's people grow.

**GOD
COMMISSIONS
US**

Our worship concludes with God's sending us into the world with his blessing as we seek to love our community.

WORSHIP THROUGH THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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† DOXOLOGY & DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

Children, ages 4 – 1st grade, may be dismissed for Children's Church.

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior
Lyrics, pg. 7

READING OF GOD'S WORD

Psalm 38
Bible pg. 592

PROCLAIMING & HEARING GOD'S WORD

Rev. Vosseller

WEARY, WEAKENED, AND WAITING

† HYMN OF RESPONSE

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less
Hymn No. 521

† BENEDICTION

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Leader: Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

† Please Stand

1. Adapted and edited from 'Yet I Sin' in The Valley of Vision: A Collection of Puritan Prayers and Devotions ed. by Arthur Bennett, (Banner of Truth, 1975), pgs. 124-125.

PREACHING: Rev. Dave Vosseller

LEADING WORSHIP: Rev. Bryan Villarreal

Psalm 38

Theme: Where is Our Hope When Our Sins Have Brought Us Suffering?

I. Wearied by the Burden of our Sin (v. 1-8)

II. Weakened as a Result of our Sin (v. 9-14)

III. Waiting in Hope for the One who Saves us from our Sin (v. 15-22)

CHORAL ANTHEM

COME WITH THANKSGIVING!

Words adapted from Psalm 100 by Lloyd Larson

Music by Lloyd Larson (incorporating Kremser)

Come into His courts with thanksgiving and praise!
Give thanks to the Lord for His excellent ways!
God's love is forever, He is faithful all our days.
Our songs of thanksgiving we joyfully raise!

We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before You; we kneel and adore You;
we bless Your holy name; glad praises we sing.

With voices united our praises we offer;
our songs of thanksgiving to You we now raise.
Your strong arm will guide us; our God is beside us;
to You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

Worship the Lord, shout with joy and gladness!
Come and sing joyful songs!
Know that the Lord has created and claimed us.
We are His people, so lift up your voices and sing!
Our songs of thanksgiving we joyfully raise!

Lloyd Larson
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SONG OF PREPARATION

Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

Pass me not, O gentle Savior,
Hear my humble cry;
While on others Thou art calling,
Do not pass me by.

Trusting only in Thy merit,
Would I seek Thy face;
Heal my wounded, broken spirit,
Save me by Thy grace.

Refrain:
Savior, Savior, Hear my humble cry;
While on others Thou art calling,
Do not pass me by

Thou the Spring of all my comfort,
More than life to me;
Whom have I on earth beside Thee?
Whom in heaven but Thee?

Let me at Thy throne of mercy
Find a sweet relief;
Kneeling there in deep contrition,
Help my unbelief.

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ADVENT SERIES & EVENTS

Why Christ Came

Advent Sermon Series

Advent Events

Nov 30:	TO SAVE SINNERS 1 Timothy 1:12-17	Nov 30, 6:00 pm	Carols & Cocoa
Dec 7:	TO BRING LIGHT TO THE WORLD John 12:44-50	Dec 7, 6:00 pm	Children's Pageant
Dec 14:	TO BRING JUDGEMENT John 9:39-41	Dec 14, 6:00 pm	Choir Cantata
Dec 21:	TO BRING PEACE Romans 5:1-6	Dec 24, 5:00 pm	Christmas Eve
Dec 24:	TO BE SERVANT and SACRIFICE Mark 10:45		
Dec 28:	TO DESTROY and DELIVER Hebrews 2:14-18		