

The Worship of God

In Ordinary Time

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Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Call to Worship

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We gather in the name of the living Christ to worship God.

God calls us to worship in spirit and in truth.

God's faithful presence is among us this day, knowing each of us well.

He knows our thoughts and discerns our ways.

May God continue to reveal himself to us as we worship him--

as we open our eyes to glimpse his truths,

open our ears to hear his Word,

and open our hearts to receive his love.

For surely, the presence of the Lord is with us here in this place.

Silent Meditation

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts.

See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Psalm 139: 23-24

Hymn of Praise

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Chorus

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
how great thou art, how great thou art!

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When through the woods and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.

(Chorus)

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
he bled and died to take away my sin.

(Chorus)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art."

(Chorus)

Old Testament Reading
Genesis 28:10-19a

Josh Pittman

Prayer

Witness of Faith

I Shall Not Want

Samuel Moore

New Testament Reading
Romans 8:12-25

Krysta Pittman

Litany of Thanksgiving

O Lord, "Abba, Father," we praise you!
Through Your boundless grace and mercy, we have been set free --
free from the controlling power of sin,
free from a way of life that leads only to death,
free from hopelessness and fear.

Not only that, but through your Holy Spirit,
we have been invited into your family,
adopted as your own sons and daughters - children of God --
and made heirs of your glory.

And so, no matter what comes our way,
we live in confidence and hope,
eagerly anticipating the day when all creation will be made new
and we will see you face to face.

Piano Meditation

Kathy Johnson

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:24-30

Matthew 13:36-43

Tiffani Harris

Joe Bennett

The Word of the Lord for God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Barry Harvey

Show me your ways, O Lord.
Teach me your paths, Holy One.
Lead me in truth, the source of salvation.
I wait for Thee. I wait for Thee.
I wait. I wait.
Amen.

Benediction

Brett Gibson

May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
Go in peace.



The Parable of the Sower

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