



Order of Worship

January 12, 2025

10:15 a.m.

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

1 Corinthians 10:13

Prelude

*Please stand if you are able

Welcome

*Call to Worship

Psalm 98:1-3

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

*Song of Praise

Our Great God

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown
Your boundless love unfailing, in grace and mercy shown.
Bright seraphim in endless flight around Your glorious throne
They raise their voices day and night in praise to You alone.

*Chorus Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!
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Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm.
Surround us with Your angels, hold us in Your arms.
Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm,
Rise up, oh Lord, and he will flee before our Sovereign God. *(Chorus)*

Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird;
Let every mountain, every field, and valley of the earth;
Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe
Sing praises to the Living God who rules them by His word. *(Chorus 2x)*

*Prayer of Adoration and Confession

*Words of Assurance

Hebrews 4:14-16

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

*What We Believe

Westminster Confession of Faith - Chapter 8:3-4

3. In his human nature, united to the divine nature, the Lord Jesus was set apart and anointed with the Holy Spirit beyond measure, having in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. In him the Father was pleased to have all fullness dwell, so that—being holy, blameless, and undefiled, full of grace and truth—he might be completely equipped to fulfill the office of a mediator and guarantor. He did not take this office to himself but was called to it by his Father, who put all power and judgment into his hand and commanded him to execute it.

4. This office the Lord Jesus most willingly undertook, and in order to discharge its obligations he was born under the law and perfectly fulfilled it. He endured most grievous torments in his soul and most painful sufferings in his body; he was crucified, died, and was buried; he remained under the power of death, yet his body did not undergo decay; and he arose from the dead on the third day with the same body in which he had suffered. In this body he ascended into heaven, where he sits at the right hand of his Father, making intercession, and he shall return to judge men and angels at the end of the age.

***Song of Praise**

From the Depths of Woe I Raise to Thee (Psalm 130)

From the depths of woe, I raise to Thee the voice of lamentation.
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me and hear my supplication.
If Thou iniquities dost mark our secret sins and misdeeds dark.
O, who shall stand before Thee? O, who shall stand before Thee?

To wash away the crimson stain, Thy, grace alone availeth.
Our works, alas, are all in vain; in much the best life faileth.
No man can glory in Thy sight; all must alike confess Thy might.
And live alone by mercy. And live alone by mercy.

Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not in my own merit;
On Him my soul shall rest, His word upholds my fainting Spirit.
His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort, and my sweet support.
I wait for it with patience. I wait for it with patience.

While though I wait the live-long night, and till the dawn appeareth.
My heart still trusteth in His might; it doubteth not, nor feareth.
Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed, those of the Spirit born indeed.
And wait 'til God appeareth. And wait 'til God appeareth.

Though great our sins and sore our woes His grace much more aboundeth.
His helping love no limit knows, our utmost need it soundeth.
Our Shepherd, good and true is He, who will at last His Israel free.
From all their sin and sorrow. From all their sin and sorrow.

Prayers of the People

*Offering our Gifts to God

Speak O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You; To receive the food of Your Holy Word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today, In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us; All Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes: In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see: Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail; Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us;
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises, And by faith, we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built, And the earth is filled with Your glory.

Let the Little Children Come

(Children Pre-K through first grade may exit for Ambassador Kids)

Scripture

Matthew 3:13-4:11

Message from God's Word

Warren Harvey

"Comrade in Arms, Champion in Battle"

*Song of Praise

Come People of the Risen King

Come people of the risen King, who delight to bring Him praise.
Come all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to Him.
Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

*Chorus: Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice;
One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ rejoice!*

Come those whose joy is morning sun and those weeping through the night.
Come those who tell of battles won and those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change and His mercies never cease.
But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.

(Chorus)

Come young and old from every land, men and women of the faith.
Come those with full or empty hands find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world His people sing shore to shore we hear them call.
The Truth that cries through every age our God is all in all. (Chorus 2x)

***Benediction**

Jude 24-25

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

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Welcome!

We are so glad you are here! We would love to get to know you better. Please scan this code and fill out any information you would like to share with us.



- **This Sunday, January 12** - Sunday Night Light! Join us for dinner at 5:30 pm followed by small groups for our adults, youth and children. Our topic this week: Let's Talk Religion and Politics - How should we as ambassadors of Christ view and engage in the politics of our civil government? Dinner menu: Chili Mac, salad and garlic bread
- **Sunday, January 19** - We will hold our annual Congregational Meeting immediately following the worship service. We will hear ministry updates and vote to approve the 2025 budget.
- **Communicants Class:** This class is for those young people who are interested and ready to publicly profess their faith and become communicant members of the church. Classes will meet January 12, 19, February 2, 9, 16 and March 2 before Sunday Night Light from 4-5 pm. Please see the messenger for sign up. Questions? Contact Rachel or Pastor Harvey.
- **Saturday, February 8** - Ladies, join us for brunch at 9:30 am at the church. We will also box up care packages for our college students!

Staff and Leadership

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