

# *SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE*

January 26, 2025

10:30 am

## **PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

Prelude

Prayer of Preparation

### **Call to Worship**

I will give you thanks with all my heart;

I will sing your praise before the heavenly beings.

**I will bow down toward your holy temple  
and give thanks to your name  
for your constant love and truth.**

You have exalted your name

and your promise above everything else.

**On the day I called, you answered me;  
you increased strength within me.**

\* Hymn #262 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

As God's beloved children, we are invited to come to our God with the fullness of our lives. Trusting in God's power to guide and renew, let us make our confession, first in silent prayer.

### **Silent Confession**

Now Let us confess together:

**Holy God, we open our hearts to you this day, and confess:**

**The fear that stifles us,**

**The prejudice that infects us,**

**The ignorance that hobbles us,**

**The arrogance that blinds us.**

**We turn goods into gods,**

**and make them more important than you.**

**We crowd you out with things,**

**and close our minds to your glory.**

**Forgive us. Open our eyes and enlighten us**

**to the Light of the world in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Jesus came not to condemn the world, but to save the world.

Christ has given us the power to become God's beloved children that we might receive grace upon grace.

Believe and share the good news!

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

**In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!**

\*Gloria Patri

(# 623 Hymnal)

## **Welcome and Announcements**

Invitational music for **JLK**

(#42 Hymnal)

***"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you—Allelu, alleluia!"***

## **Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

\* The Doxology

(#625 Hymnal)

\* Offertory Prayer

Scripture: John 2:13-25

Sermon: "Jesus Christ—Worship Crasher"

Dr. Andrew McDonald

\* Hymn #427 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" ( 5<sup>th</sup> v. on back)

## **Prayers of the Community and Lord's Prayer**

\* Hymn #267 "Come Thou Almighty King"

\* Benediction

\* Congregational Response # 602: ***God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again***

\* Postlude

\* Stand, if comfortably able.

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**Sunday School Teacher:** Corey Lambert

**Greeter:** Connie Moore

**Prayer Needs:** Brittany Blankenship, Trish Dudek, Shala Mannoochahr, Zach Maxwell, Donna James, Marlene Keleher, Pauline Shroyer, Claire Barnhouse, Sam Waldron, Ann Tucker.

( 5<sup>th</sup> verse)

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
the silence of eternity,  
interpreted by love!

Worship  
the Lord  
in the  
Beauty  
of Holiness

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## Some ways to donate to the California Wild Fires

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## THIS WEEK

<b>Sunday (1-26)</b>	Sunday School	9:15 am
	Worship	10:30 am
<b>Thursday (1-30)</b>	Choir Practice	7:00 pm

### PLEASE NOTE:

**Flowers:** The beautiful flowers this morning are in memory of Ruth Martin's heavenly birthday.

**Choir:** Come and join our choir! We practice on Thursdays at 7:00. Come and make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

**Greeters:** Please sign up if you would like to be a greeter.

**Focus groups:** Our congregation is having several focus groups so Dr. McDonald can hear from us what our hopes and needs are for our Church and a permanent Pastor. These groups are filling up fast so if you would like to attend a group there is a sign-up sheet at the back of the Church for the one at Melody Schnell's Home on February 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

**Happy Birthday!** The Board of Deacons would like to wish Happy Birthday to the following people this week:

Chris Tittle	January 30
Donna James	January 31
Doug Martin	January 31
Joey Mock	January 31
Brian Morley	January 31
Leah Rae Merkel	January 31
Art Gilmore	February 1
Colin Oldfather	February 1



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