

A joyous and blessed Sabbath to you, siblings in Christ! Welcome to worship.

This worship service can be watched live on YouTube, as it happens, anywhere you have an internet connection. Additionally, past services will be archived so you can stay up-to-date or relive your favorite Sunday morning moments. You can find the link on our website or check it out at <https://bit.ly/FPClive>

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NOTE: Sheet music for the hymns can be found on the next page or pages.



Order of Worship
August 13, 2023

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395 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at your word we have come a -
 2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est
 3 Glo - rious Lord, your - self im - part, Light of Light, from

gain to hear you; let our thoughts and hearts be stirred
 dark - ness shroud - ed, till your Spir - it breaks our night,
 God pro - ceed - ing. Touch our lips and ears and heart;

and in glow - ing faith be near you. By your gos - pel
 fill - ing us with light un - cloud - ed. All good thoughts and
 help us by your Spir - it's plead - ing. Hear the cry your

true and ho - ly, teach us, Lord, to love you sole - ly.
 all good liv - ing come but by your gra - cious giv - ing.
 church now rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

Originally conceived to be sung before the sermon, this hymn assumes a congregation that assembles regularly, and it needs to be placed near the beginning rather than the end of worship. The simple repetitive tune reinforces the text's sense of receptivity and expectation.

***THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***

10:00 AM

AUGUST 13, 2023



THE FIRST NOTE OF THE PRELUDE begins our worship.

Please use the prelude time to turn your attention to God's presence and help. Nurturing our relationships and friendships in fellowship is essential to our life as a congregation, so please continue to do so following our time of worship.

** Those who are able are invited to stand.*

FOCUSING UPON GOD'S PRESENCE AND VOICE

PRELUDE

"This Is My Father's World"

DANIEL BURTON
ONELICENSE.NET A-713988

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: God speaks peace to the faithful, to those who turn to God in their hearts.

People: Surely salvation is at hand for those who fear God.

Leader: Where God dwells, steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

People: Faithfulness springs up from the ground and righteousness looks down from the sky. God gives what is good and we respond with abundant praise.

Leader: The peace God speaks envelopes us with wholeness, restores balance, and repairs all brokenness.

People: Thanks be to God.

***OPENING PRAYER**

***HYMN #395**

"Blessed Jesus At Your Word"

LIEBSTER JESU
PUBLIC DOMAIN

LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

Leader: God makes no distinctions among us – the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous. Indeed, everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. Confessing our sins, we depend on God’s generosity and grace. Let us pray.

People: Gracious God, you call us to step out in faith, trusting in you for all things. We respond to your command but then sink in doubt and fear. We hide from the challenges of bold discipleship. We are not able to fulfill your commandments, for our purposes are never in full accord with yours. Forgive us, we pray, when we confess with our lips but do not believe in our hearts. Help us to practice our faith in all circumstances. Lift us out of sin and into the arms of your mercy. Though we are distracted by noise all around, allow us to hear your voice even when it is the sound of sheer silence. We pray in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayers.

(A moment is given for silent confession to God.)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*SHARING THE PEACE

Leader: Since God has forgiven us, let us also forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share our forgiven joy with one another.

*HYMN OF ASSURANCE #581

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

THE WORD OF GOD TO THE CHURCH

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

PSALM 105:1-6, 16-22, 45B

Leader: ¹O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

People: ²**Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.**

Leader: ³Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

People: ⁴**Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually.**

Leader: ⁵Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

People: ⁶**O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.**

Leader: ¹⁶When he summoned famine against the land, and broke every staff of bread,

People: ¹⁷**he had sent a man ahead of them, Joseph, who was sold as a slave.**

Leader: ¹⁸His feet were hurt with fetters, his neck was put in a collar of iron;

People: ¹⁹**until what he had said came to pass, the word of the LORD kept testing him.**

Leader: ²⁰The king sent and released him; the ruler of the peoples set him free.

People: ²¹**He made him lord of his house, and ruler of all his possessions,**

Leader: ²²to instruct his officials at his pleasure, and to teach his elders wisdom.

People: ⁴⁵**that they might keep his statutes and observe his laws. Praise the LORD!**

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

MATTHEW 14:22-33

²²Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." ²⁸Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. ³⁰But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³²When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

THE WORD

463 How Firm a Foundation



1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
 3 "When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
 4 "When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
 5 "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
 is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!
 for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
 the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
 my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
 I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
 What more can be said than to you God hath said,
 I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 for I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
 that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
 to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
 up-held by my righteous, omnipotent hand.
 and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.
 thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.
 I'll never, no, never, no, never for sake."

It seems odd now to think of singing this text to ADESTE FIDELES, but mainline churches did so well into the 20th century because of a cultural bias against shape note music. The vigor of the present tune seems especially right for the final line's reference to Hebrews 13:5.

TEXT: "K" in John Rippons's *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, alt.
 MUSIC: American folk melody; Funk's *Genuine Church Music*, 1832, alt.

FOUNDATION
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SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS

INTERCESSIONS AND PETITIONS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL – PG. 35
(Please use “debts & debtors”.)

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

CALL FOR OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY
Holy Harmonizers

“Live Into Hope”

HYMN 772
CCLI 1695793

*At this time, we are not passing an offering plate.
Please find the plate by the door for in-person giving.
See the back page of the bulletin for additional info on how to give.
Thank you for your generosity!*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #76

“Do Not Be Afraid”

ISAIAH 43
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*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Come Thou Almighty King”

ARR. DOUGLAS WAGNER
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Please feel free to sit and reflect during the postlude or depart and join us in Fellowship Hall.



Do Not Be Afraid

76

Refrain

All E B C#m G D/F# E B

Do not be a - fraid, for I am with you. Cho-sen and be -

C#m D Bm7 Dmaj7 E B C#m

loved, you are my own. Do not be a - fraid, for I have re -

E7 D Bm7 C Em Am7 Bm7 E *Last time*

deemed you: by your name I called you for my own.

Leader or All D Bm7 E

1 ♪ Look up, a new thing I am do - ing;
2 I am God, who blots out your trans - gres - sions;
3 ♪ The Lord, the Ho - ly One of Is - rael

D Bm7 E

it springs forth; look and see it grow.
for my own sake I do not chide or blame.
has prom - ised to lead us on our way,

F G

Through wil - der - ness I'll make a lev - el high - way;
On - ly this much I ask, that you love me
and we who love and wor - ship God our Mak - er

F Dm7 Bsus B *to Refrain*

through des - erts, make streams and riv - ers flow.
and seek me and hon - or my name.
will lis - ten to hear the Spir - it say:

Several verses from Isaiah 43 are paraphrased here: 1b (refrain), 19 (stanza 1), 25 (stanza 2). That prophetic oracle of salvation is rooted in the assurance of God's presence with the People of the Covenant. They, in turn, are called to seek God's will and proclaim God's power.

Faith Life

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2023

We hope you'll join us following worship for beverages, snacks, and fellowship.

Please note...the nursery is closed during August.

DAYBREAK - AUGUST 14

Needed: 3-4 persons to bake 2 doz. cookies each

Faith Church cooks and serves a meal at Daybreak on the second Monday of each month, from **1:30 to 4:30pm**. Daybreak is a drop-in center for people suffering from mental illness, who may or may not also be homeless. **Can you find the time to bake a batch or two and drop them off by noon tomorrow?**

- ♦ Drop cookies off in the kitchen by noon of that Monday. Because of possible nut allergies, please mark cookies that have nuts in them. Sugar-free and gluten-free cookies are also appreciated.
- ♦ Helpers are also needed, especially cooks, from approx. 1:30 to 4:30pm. (Carpool leaves from the church!)

For more information, speak with Carolyn Baittinger or Zona Farmer. Don't pass up this very easy opportunity to "do unto others."

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEEDED

You might think that assisting during worship is daunting, but it is easier than you think! Spoon-fed instructions are provided, with all the necessary materials. Everything is prepared for you! Yet, as easy as it is, volunteers are always needed. Here are the immediate dates where worship assistants are needed:

Worship Assistants

All of September and October

Contact Sally Heimbach. Thank you.

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS NEEDED

Everybody loves fellowship time following worship. It's a wonderful time to catch up with your church family! Hosting is easy, but we still need people to volunteer. Instructions are provided. Here are the immediate dates where hosts are needed:

September 3, 17, 24; October 8, 22

Sign up on the whiteboard in the narthex, or contact Sally Heimbach. Thank you.



FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



EMMAUS COMMUNITY YARD SALE

We will be participating in the **Emmaus Community Yard Sale** day on **Saturday, September 9**.

WOF will be having a bake sale and have some items for sale.

We have some items from the church to sell.

We also have one outside group using the space.

There is space available if you would like to participate.

If you have items you would like to donate, here is the process.

- Bring the items, already priced, to the church on **Friday September 9**. Please contact Sally Heimbach to set up a delivery time.
- On **Sunday September 10**, come to church and pick up any items that have not sold

Contact Sally Heimbach with any questions or concerns.



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CHURCH OFFICE IS ON SUMMER HOURS

Tuesday - Thursday from 9:00 AM to Noon.
Closed on Mondays and Fridays.

TWO WEEKS OF FAITH

This calendar is prepared a few days prior to distribution.
Please see the church [website](#) for the most up-to-date information.

Key	
BR	Brick Room
FH	Fellowship Hall
MR	Music Room
P	Parlor
S	Sanctuary
Z	Zoom

NEXT WEEK

Sunday, August 13

10:00 a.m.— Worship Service

Monday, August 14

1:30 p.m.— Daybreak meal

Tuesday, August 15

10:00 a.m.— Garden Club (FH)

Wednesday, August 16

8:00 a.m.— Rotary Food Program (FH)

9:30 a.m.— Women of Faith (BR)

Thursday, August 17

7:00 p.m.— Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, August 18

Church Office Closed

Saturday, August 19

9:00 a.m.— Crazy Quilters (FH)

Newsletter Deadline

Church Office Closed

Church Office Closed

Office Admin Day Off

NEXT WEEK

Sunday, August 20

10:00 a.m.— Worship Service

Monday, August 21

7:00 p.m.— Ministry to the Community (P)

Tuesday, August 22

Wednesday, August 23

8:00 a.m.— Rotary Food Program (FH)

9:30 a.m.— Women of Faith (BR)

Thursday, August 24

7:00 p.m.— Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, August 25

Church Office Closed

Saturday, August 26

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE

The *Holy Harmonies* Summer Choir continues during the summer. Additional appearances of the choir will be this morning and August 27. Rehearsals will occur those same Sundays in the Choir Room at 9:30 a.m. Selections will mainly consist of hymns from the hymnal, but suggestions of hymns or anthems are welcomed.



The *Holy Harmonies* Summer Choir is open to anyone and commitment is based on your schedule. Join when you can and know we hope you enjoy your Sundays away if you cannot.

Fall Flyer deadline—August 13

Daybreak Meal—August 14

2023 Per Capita—\$48.00

LOOKING AHEAD...

- Sept. 9..... Community Yard Sale
- Sept. 10..... Sunday Morning Together
Welcome back luncheon
- Sept. 11..... Office returns to regular hours
- Sept. 15..... Evening on the Lawn
- Sept. 30..... Autumn Fest
- Oct. 1..... Peace & Global Witness Offering
Pot Luck Luncheon
- Oct. 22..... Crop Walk for Hunger
- Oct. 20..... Evening on the Lawn
- Nov. 19..... Winter Newsletter Deadline
- Dec. 2..... Women of Faith Craft Fair
- Dec. 17..... Christmas Joy Offering,
Work Camp Cookie Sale
- Dec. 24..... Christmas Eve
- Dec. 25..... Christmas
- Jan. 1..... Happy New Year 2024!

**EVENING ON
THE LAWN**

Every 3rd Friday in Spring and Fall

7:00 p.m.— 9/15, 10/20

Bring your blanket or chair
enjoy the fire and fellowship