

WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Thanks for worshipping with us. Whether you are with us from the pew or with us via your computer screen, we are so glad you're here. Remember, worship is about God and we focus our eyes and hearts on the One who is before all things. At the same time, we know that when we gather, we receive gracious gifts and experience the love of Christ as one church. To prepare for worship, read the Words of Preparation; read and reflect upon the Scripture passage for today. Be intentional about connecting with God in your worship.

WORDS FOR PREPARATION:

Faithful God, we give you thanks that nothing can separate us from your love. Receive us as beloved children so that we may enter your presence this day and abide with you forever; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- Feasting on the Word, Liturgies for Year 2

PRELUDE "Prelude in D minor" J.S. Bach

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION

CALL TO WORSHIP

To my sisters and brothers

I will tell your glory:

O Lord our God,

How majestic is your name!

In the great congregation

I will sing your praise:

O Lord our God,

how majestic is your name!

*HYMN #276 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*CALL TO CONFESSION

We have an advocate on high: Jesus Christ, who stooped down to save us from our sin but rose in honor and glory to reign forever. Therefore let us seek God's grace.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, you created us to live in relationship with you, to love and serve one another, and to care for all your creatures. Yet in the hardness of our hearts, we dismiss your commandments and seek to go our separate ways. Lord, have mercy on us. Redeem, restore, and re-create us, for the sake of Christ our Savior, Amen.

(Period of silence for personal confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

What are we that God is mindful of us? Who are we that God should care for us? Yet God now calls us beloved children; Jesus now claims us as sisters and brothers. This is the good news of God's grace: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

*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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SPECIAL MUSIC "Prelude" S. Rachmaninoff

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

OLD TESTAMENT READING

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 8

Genesis 2:18-24

Mark 10:2-16

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

SERMON "All Belong Here" Rev. Krista Rasco

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Apostle's Creed)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only, Son, our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation and Words of Institution

Communion

Hymn #513

Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

....Our Father who art in heaven,

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

The heavens and the earth, the sun and moon and stars, the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea--all things belong to God, and to God all things return.

OFFERTORY

“Prelude”

F. Chopin

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(Please use this time for silent prayer and reflection as you consider ways to offer your life, your gifts, time, and commitment to God. You may give online at upctx.org/giving OR as you enter or exit the church sanctuary today. There are two offering boxes available. Today we also invite you to give to our special offering for Goodland Academy. Hats will be provided at the sanctuary exits to give to our mission partners at Goodland Academy in Oklahoma.)

***THE DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, Ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Lord God, you have entrusted us with the works of your own hands. Now we return these gifts to you with thanksgiving and praise. Use them all for your glory and for the good of your world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

***HYMN #306**

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:**

**“Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.”**

POSTLUDE

“Prelude in C minor”

F. Mendelssohn



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Guided by the Word of God, led by the Holy Spirit, and motivated by the love of Christ and all his people, United Presbyterian Church, in intergenerational community, celebrates God’s Glory by fostering Christian Growth.

Therefore, we value:

- ❖ **Inviting and welcoming fellowship**
- ❖ **Bible-centered messages, music, and faith expressed through worship**
- ❖ **Commitment to our community**