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The Lord's Day, July 5, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

A Service of Word, Prayer and Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

July 5, 2026 | 10:45 a.m.

*Father, Long Before Creation

Music: Andrew Osenga; Lyrics: Chinese Hymn, trans. by Francis Jones, 1953



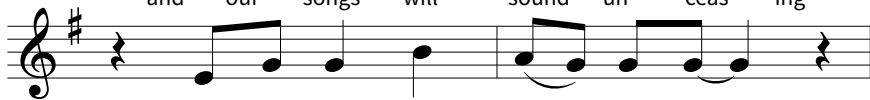
1. Fa - ther long be - fore cre - a - tion
2. Though the world may change its fash - ion,
3. God's com - pas - sion is my sto - ry,
4. Lov - ing Fa - ther now be - fore Thee



Thou hadst cho - sen us in love,
yet our God is e'er the same;
is my boast - ing all the day;
we will ev - er praise Thy love,



and that love so deep, so mov - ing,
His com - pas - sion and His cov - 'nant
mer - cy free and nev - er fail - ing
and our songs will sound un - ceas - ing



draws us close to Christ a - bove.
through all a - ges will re - main.
moves my will, di - rects my way.
'til we reach our home a - bove,



Still it keeps us, still it keeps us
God's own chil - dren, God's own chil - dren
God so loved us, God so loved us
giv - ing glo - ry, giv - ing glo - ry



firm - ly fixed in Christ a - lone.
must for - ev - er praise His name.
that His on - ly Son He gave.
to our God and to the Lamb.

Welcome & Announcements

Clint Wilcke

*Call to Worship¹

Psalms 98:1-4

Elder: 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.

People: **The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

Elder: 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.

^{*}Please stand, if able.

¹We believe that God always initiates with sinners, so we begin worship with His invitation and command to us to gather in His name.

All: **Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!**

***O Worship the King, verses 1-5**

Hymn No. 2

Music: LYONS, Johann Michael Haydn, 1737-1806; Lyrics: Robert Grant, 1833

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

All: **I believe in God the Father Almighty,
 Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
 Who was conceived by 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 rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
 Almighty.
 From there He shall come to judge the living and the
 dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic² church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Call to Confession

1 John 1:5-10

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Confession of Sin

**All: Almighty and merciful God,
 We confess that we have sinned against you and one another in
 both our actions and our inactions.
 We recognize that in Jesus our light has come, yet often we choose
 to walk in the shadows and ignore the light.
 Gracious God, forgive our sins and remove from us the veil of
 darkness that shrouds our lives.
 Illumine us by your Word so we may shine with the radiance of
 Christ's glory. Amen.**

Silent Confession

²The word "catholic" refers to the universal church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

Titus 3:4-7

⁴But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared,
⁵he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, ⁶whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

*Satisfied

Music: Karl Digerness; Lyrics: Clara T. Williams, 1875



1. All my life long I had pan - ted
2. Feed - ing on the filth a - round me
3. Poor I was and sought for rich - es,
4. Well of wa - ter ev - er spring - ing,



for a drink from some cool spring
'till my strength was al - most gone.
some - thing that would sat - is - fy.
Bread of Life so rich and free.



that I hoped would quench the burn - ing
Longed my soul for some - thing bet - ter
But the dust I gath - ered round me
Un - told wealth that nev - er fail - eth,



of the thirst I felt with - in.
on - ly still to hun - ger on.
on - ly mocked my soul's sad cry.
my Re - deem - er is to me.



Chorus: Hal - le - lu - jah! He has found me,



the One my soul so long has craved!



Je - sus sat - is - fies all my long - ings



through His blood I now am saved.

Offertory

"Keep the Feast"

Music & Lyrics: Music & Lyrics: Ben Shive and Skye Peterson

Visitors, please fill out a visitor card located in the chair backs in front of you and drop it in the offering plate.

***Children's Church Dismissal: During the service four- & five-year-olds may be dropped off & picked up at the sanctuary door to the left of the piano to attend Children's Church.*

Pastoral Prayer

Elder Wayne Irby

Members of the Week:

Glynn & Ginnie Ingram

Lynn & Sandy Ingram

Missionaries of the Week:

Clarke & Khrystyia Norton: MTW - Oslo, Norway

Teachers of the Week:

Adults: Clint Wilcke

Christ Pres Leadership & Staff:

Gray & Amanda Tollison

The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading

John 8:12-13, 28-38

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Elder: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"I Am the Light of the World"

Brian Sorgenfrei

Children's Church pickup by the sanctuary door to the left of the piano after sermon.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper (also called Communion or the Eucharist) is the family meal of baptized Christians. All who trust in Christ alone as Savior and Lord, are members in good standing with a branch of His church that teaches that He is the only way to God the Father, are at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully with Jesus are welcome to come forward. If you are not a Christian or if you are not prepared to share in this meal today, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer using the prayers printed below.

Children who have not yet made a public profession of faith are still welcome to come forward with their families for prayer. We invite children who are ready to make a public profession of faith in Christ to complete the Communicants Class, arrange a meeting with the elders, and thus become "communicants" at the Lord's Table.

Christ Pres seeks to be a joyful community of God's people who actively participate in worship. As we prepare to come to the Lord's Table, the following responsive elements help orient our hearts to the Lord and proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes again.

Elder: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Elder: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Elder: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

***Children's Church is provided to help families make the transition from nursery to the worship service. Volunteers will take them upstairs for a time of singing, praying, playing and listening to a Bible story. Please note that Children's Church is optional for families and we also fully support keeping your child in the service as well!*

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

Elder: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**All: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Elder: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Elder: The gifts of God for the people of God.

Please let an usher know if it is difficult for you to come forward, and we will be happy to serve you in your seat. All communion bread is gluten-free.

Prayers for Those Not Communing

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Heavenly Father, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through Your Son Jesus, I can be more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You that He lived the life I should have lived, and paid the debt and punishment I owed. Receive me now for His sake. I turn from my sins and receive Him as Savior. Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer for Covenant Children Who Have Not Yet Professed Faith in Christ

Lord Jesus, thank you for giving me the opportunity to grow up in a Christian family where I am surrounded by the good news of the gospel. Help me to grow in my understanding of who you are and what you have done for me on the cross. Help me learn what it means for me to turn from my sins and trust in you alone for my salvation. Teach me what it means to follow you as one of your disciples. Amen.

My Jesus, I Love Thee

Hymn No. 648

Music: CARITAS, Adoniram J. Gordon, 1894; Lyrics: William R. Featherstone, 1864

Jesus, I Come

Music: Greg Thompson; Lyrics: William True Sleeper, 1887



1. Out of my bond - age, sor - row and night,
2. Out of my shame - ful fail - ure and loss,
3. Out of un - rest and ar - ro - gant pride,
4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,



Je - sus, I come; Je - sus, I come.
Je - sus, I come; Je - sus, I come.
Je - sus, I come; Je - sus, I come.
Je - sus, I come; Je - sus, I come.



In - to Thy free - dom, glad - ness and light,
In - to the glo - rious gain of Thy cross,
In - to Thy bless - ed will to a - bide,
In - to the joy and light of Thy home,

Je - sus, | come to Thee.
 Je - sus, | come to Thee.
 Je - sus, | come to Thee.
 Je - sus, | come to Thee.

Out of my sick - ness in - to Thy health,
 Out of earth's sor - rows in - to Thy balm,
 Out of my - self to dwell in Thy love,
 Out of the depths of ru - in un - told,

out of my want - ing and in - to Thy wealth,
 out of life's storms and in - to Thy calm,
 out of de - spair in - to rap - tures a - bove,
 in - to the peace of Thy shel - ter - ing fold,

out of my sin and in - to Thy - self,
 out of dis - tress in - to ju - bi - lant psalm,
 up - ward for - e - ver on wings like a dove,
 ev - er Thy glo - rious face to be - hold,

Je - sus, | come to Thee.
 Je - sus, | come to Thee.
 Je - sus, | come to Thee.
 Je - sus, | come to Thee.

Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord

Hymn No. 465

Music: MOODY, Daniel B. Towner; Lyrics: Julia H. Johnston, 1910

***Benediction³**

Musicians & AVL Team

William Atchley, lights & projections; Gabbie Bowden, vocals; Randall Bryant, keyboard & vocals;
 Elizabeth Caudill, violin; McKinney Caudill, cello; Noel Childress, guitar & vocals;
 Chris Floyd, sound engineer; Dylan Gray, bass; Nadine Ramsey, piano; Daniel Spears, percussion

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³Just as God has the first word in worship, He also has the last word. For those who are in Christ Jesus, these are always words of blessing. We look up and extend our hands out in a posture of receiving the blessing of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



As women, our culture constantly bombards us with messages about aging. We are told to fight it, hide it, or fear it. But in the economy of God's grace, aging is not a season of decline; it is a journey of spiritual sharpening. Join us on **July 8th at 6:30pm** for a panel discussion upstairs in the Loft. Our panel is made up of women from their 20's to 80's who are walking this path ahead of us, behind us, and right alongside us. They will share how they are actively fighting for contentment, anchoring their souls in their identity as daughters of the King, and keeping their eyes fixed on the day when 'faith becomes sight.



"Hey Jude" is a well-known tune, but the New Testament book of Jude may not be so familiar. Join us on **July 15th at 6:30pm** upstairs in the Loft as we take a look at this short but surprising part of God's Word! Anna Dabbs will be teaching. No preparation is required, but we encourage you to read the book of Jude ahead of time.



As we prepare for our upcoming Back-to-School packing day for Operation Life Vision on **July 22nd**, we want to offer you the opportunity to donate items. In our lobby you can find a table with more information on the type of items we will be packing. The Women's Ministry Team is also taking toiletry & monetary donations throughout July.

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