

CHRIST PRES

Proclaiming a **Hope**

Building a **Home**

Launching a **Healing**

The Lord's Day, November 22, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

A Service of Word, Prayer and Sacrament of Baptism

November 22, 2026 | 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven, verses 1-3, 5 Hymn No. 76

Music: LAUDA ANIMA, John Goss, 1869, arr. Liv Chapman & Philip Percival
Lyrics: Psalm 103, Henry F. Lyte, 1834

Welcome & Announcements Les Newsom

***Call to Worship[1]** Psalm 100:1-5

Elder: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

People: Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Elder: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

All: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Now Thank We All Our God Hymn No. 98

Music: NUN DANKET, Johann Crüger, 1647
Lyrics: Martin Rinkart, 1636, tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1858

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

***Affirmation of Faith**

Elder: Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. *(Philippians 4:6)*

People: I will give to the LORD the thanks due to his righteousness, and I will sing praise to the name of the LORD, the Most High. ***(Psalm 7:17)***

Elder: And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. *(Colossians 3:15)*

People: The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him. ***(Psalm 28:7)***

Elder: Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. *(Colossians 3:16)*

People: And whatever [we] do, in word or deed, [let us] do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. ***(Colossians 3:17)***

Elder: Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. *(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)*

All: Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. [And let us] not neglect to do good and to share what [we] have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. ***(Hebrews 13:15-16)***

**Please stand, if able.*

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

Call to Confession Micah 7:1-4

1 Woe is me! For I have become as when the summer fruit has been
gathered, as when the grapes have been gleaned: there is no cluster to
eat, no first-ripe fig that my soul desires. 2 The godly has perished from
the earth, and there is no one upright among mankind; they all lie in wait
for blood, and each hunts the other with a net. 3 Their hands are on what
is evil, to do it well; the prince and the judge ask for a bribe, and the great
man utters the evil desire of his soul; thus they weave it together. 4 The best
of them is like a brier, the most upright of them a thorn hedge. The day of
your watchmen, of your punishment, has come; now their confusion is at
hand.

Silent Confession

Confession of Sin

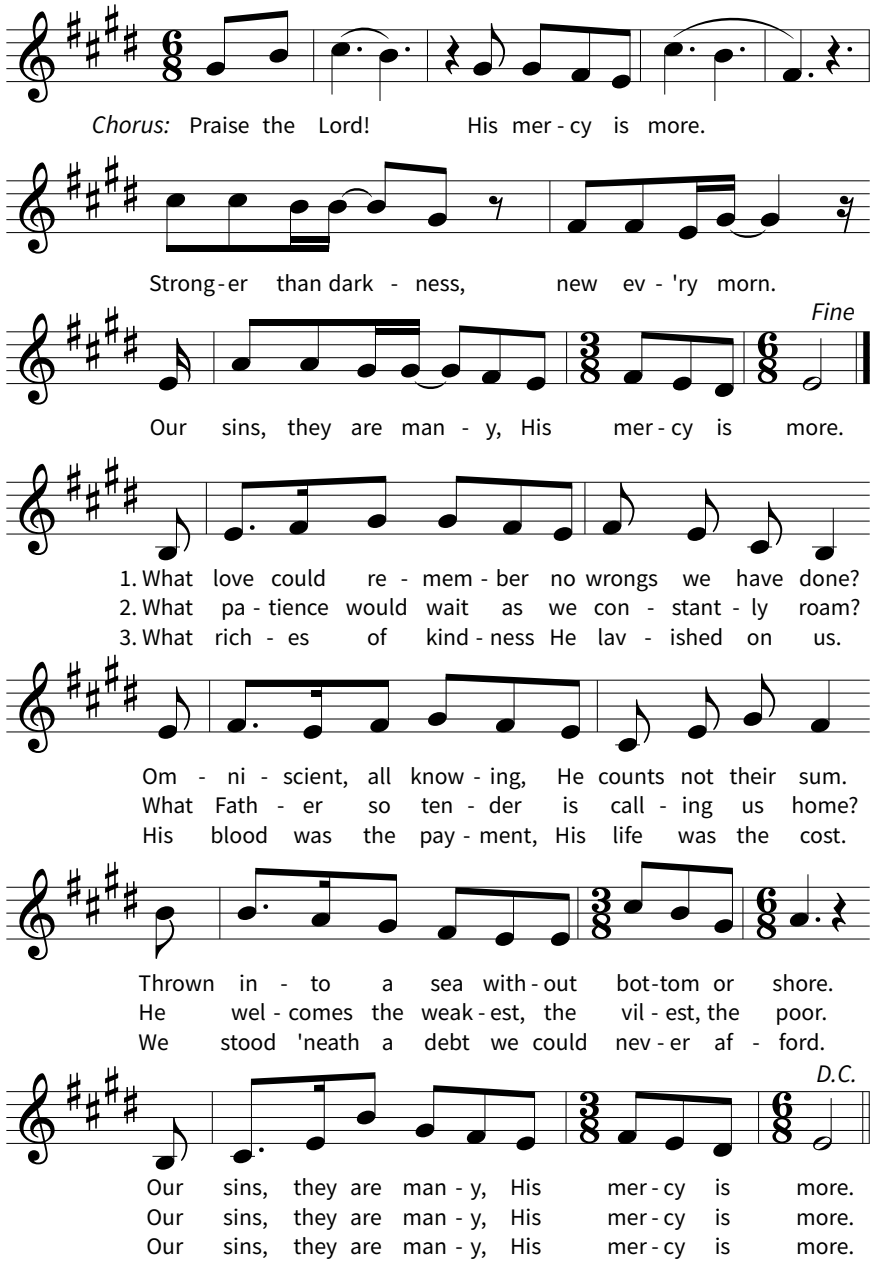
All: O my Savior, help me. I am slow to learn, prone to forget, and weak to climb; I am in the foothills when I should be on the heights; I am pained by my graceless heart, my prayerless days, my poverty of love, my sloth in the heavenly race, my sullied conscience, my wasted hours, my unspent opportunities. I am blind while the light shines around me: take the scales from my eyes, grind to dust my heart of unbelief. Make it my highest joy to study you, meditate on you, gaze on you. I believe, help my unbelief. Amen.

***Assurance of Forgiveness** Micah 7:18-19

18 Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression
for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever,
because he delights in steadfast love. 19 He will again have compassion
on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into
the depths of the sea.

***His Mercy Is More**

Music & Lyrics: Matt Papa and Matt Boswell



Covenant Baptism

8:30 a.m. service

William Alexander Graeber

(*Covenant Child of John and Hallie*)

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know, verse 1 Hymn No. 189

8:30 a.m. service

Music: William B. Bradbury, 1861; Lyrics: Anna B. Warner, 1859

Offertory Prayer Deacon Allen Thigpen

**Please stand, if able.*

Offertory **"Medley of Traditional Negro Spirituals"**
Ora Reed, soloist
arr. Reed

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 for 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 James Harper

Members of the Week:
Andy & Maggie Miller; Posey, Miles, Mark and Simms Hunter & Lisa Mitchell

Missionaries of the Week:
International Guest House: Oxford, MS
Bok & Heidi Chew: InterVarsity - Cleveland, OH

Teacher of the Week:
Pre-K & Kindergarten: Elizabeth & John Adrian, Julie Harper, Sarah Randle and Maggie McKinnis

Christ Pres Leadership & Staff:
Tim & Megan Kempe

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 **James 2:14-26** Page 1012

Elder: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!

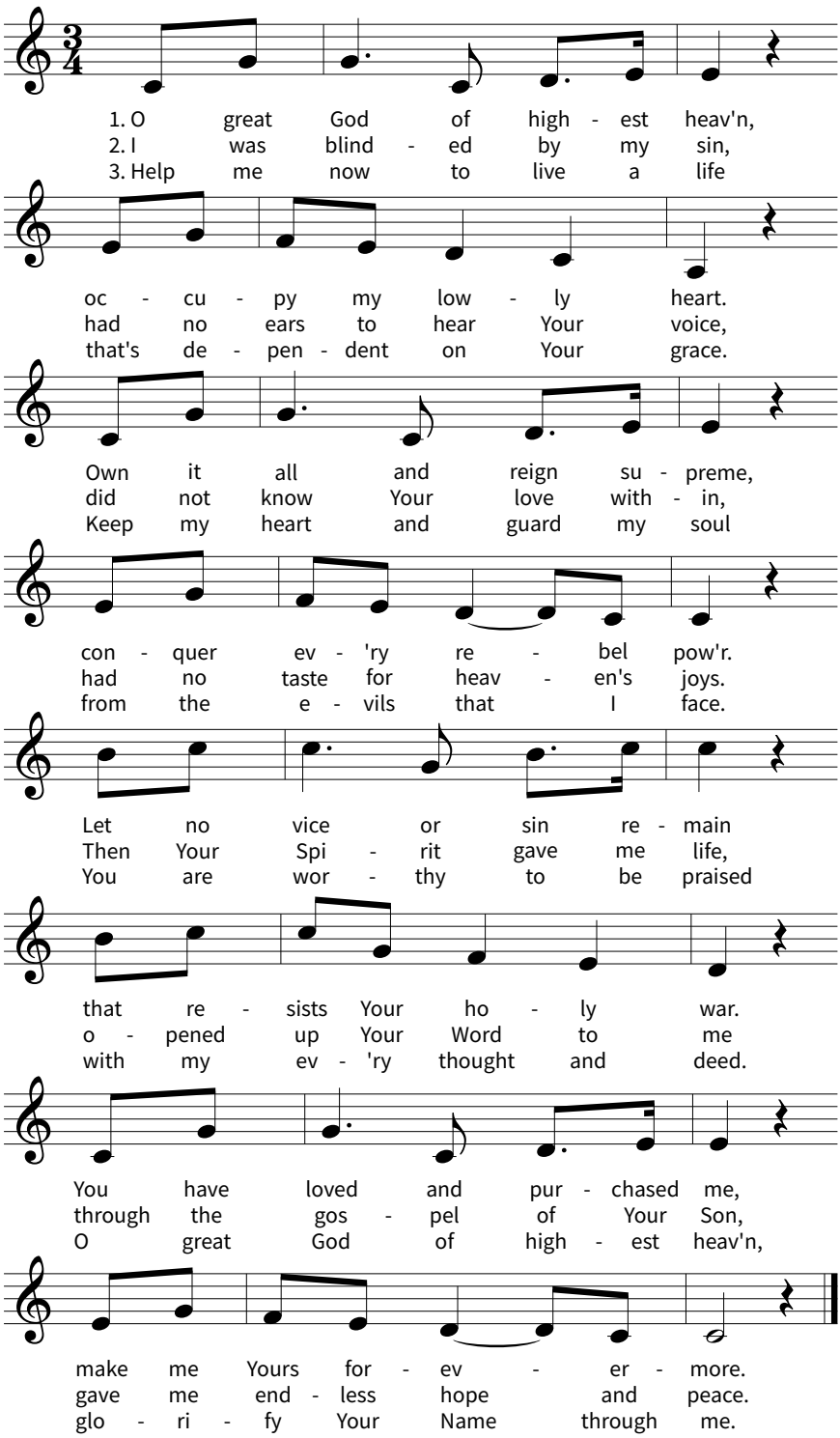
Sermon **"Living Faith"** Brian Sorgenfrei
Steadfast: Enduring Faith for Weary People

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

***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!*

***O Great God**

Music & Lyrics: Bob Kauflin



***Benediction[2]**

**Please stand, if able.*

[2] Just 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.

Musicians & AVL Team

Randall Bryant, piano & vocals; Connor Carlisle, cello; Elizabeth Caudill, violin; Noel Childress, guitar; Amanda Fliflet, sound engineer; Dylan Gray, electric guitar; Harper Holley, viola; Greg Johnson, bass; Jonathan Klingler, lights & projections; Daisy Maciel, violin; Shelby McClure, vocals; Molly Singletary, keyboard & vocals; Daniel Spears, percussion

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Ladies of all ages, join Christ Pres Women on **December 5th at 10am** for a special morning of Christmas cheer! Enjoy a delicious brunch, sweet fellowship and beautiful Christmas music as we kick off the holiday season together. Use the QR code to register.



Offering envelopes have been sent home with children on Wednesday nights. Additional envelopes are available beside Sunday morning bulletins and in the front office. This Christmas season, we invite children to experience the joy of giving by donating any amount to help provide Christmas for our benevolence families. Completed envelopes may be placed in the offering plate during Sunday worship. The final opportunity to give is **Sunday, December 6th, during the 5pm** Christmas Program.



We hope you'll make plans to join us on **December 6th at 5pm** for a wonderful evening of Christmas music and celebration! Children ages 4 years old through 6th grade who regularly attend M&M and PYG will be participating. The program lasts around 30 minutes and is family-friendly! No childcare provided. It's a wonderful way to kick off the Christmas season and focus our hearts on the true joy of Christmas!

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