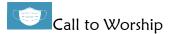
Order of Worship November 7, 2021 Stewardship Dedication

Prelude I Partita on "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table" – Thomas Canning

Prelude II

Open Up the Heavens HolyGrounds Praise Band - Jason Ingram

Greeting & Announcements



My Redeemer Lives

- Reuben Morgan

Prayer of Adoration



Great God of Every Blessing

#694

*Call to Confession Chris McKee

*Prayer of Confession

Holy God, your cry for wisdom and understanding echoes in our homes, our workplaces, our schools, our church committee meetings, our legislatures and our courts. We confess we don't always want to hear that cry, deciding instead to rely on familiar habits, comfortable assumptions, and quick conclusions. We sometimes get lost in self-reliance and live by the motto how God helps those who help themselves. We ask you to show us another way.

The apostle Paul proclaims peace, hope, and grace are your gifts to us. And yet there are times when grief overwhelms us, anxiety holds us captive, and suffering leaves us numb with despair. We wonder how, even *if* you are at work in our lives, and we long for you to show us another way, O God. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Anthem Always There – Jan Werner
Jan Peterson, Soprano

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Renita Jurgensen

Prayer for Illumination **Eternal God.**

In the reading of Scripture, may your Word be heard.

In the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known.

In the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. Amen.

Scripture

Psalm 121:1-2; Romans 5:1-10

Sermon God Helps Those Who Help Themselves Rev. Ann Conklin

*Hymn of Affirmation For Everyone Born #769, Vss. 1,3,5

Communion

Offering & Dedication of Pledges

Dedication Hymn We Are an Offering

*Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow #606

*Prayer of Dedication

*Closing Hymn Mighty to Save – Ben Fielding, Rueben Morgan

*Benediction

*Benediction Response For the Life That You Have Given (Tune: Holy Manna)

Postlude Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Living Bread – Johann Pachelbel

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