

# Order for the Worship of God

## Welcome & Announcements

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### GATHERING

Welcome

*from Romans 5:2,5*

L We stand before God by grace and faith.

**C We rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.**

L Through the gift of the Holy Spirit,

**C God's love is poured into our hearts.**

Prayer

\*Opening Hymn (Blue #147)

*"Blessing and Honor"*

Worship from the Psalms

*(Psalm 95 ESV)*

**A Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**

L Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

**C For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.**

L In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

**C The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.**

L Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**C For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

L Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,

**C When your fathers put me to the test and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.**

L For forty years I loathed that generation and said, "They are a people who go astray in their heart, and they have not known my ways."

**C Therefore I swore in my wrath, "They shall not enter my rest."**

Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, forgive us when our hearts are hardened. Forgive us when we refuse to recognize your presence with us and choose to go our own way. Forgive us when we close our hearts to the suffering and the lost. Forgive us when we turn our backs to you and do not rely on your strength. Be with us when we are overwhelmed, correct us when we are stubborn, confront us when we are prideful, and remind us that your gracious presence is always with us. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

*Please take a moment and offer your silent personal prayers to God ...*

Silent Prayers of Reflections

Assurance of Pardon

*from Romans 5:6,8*

### PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Prayers for Illumination

Special Music

*"Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me"*

Sermon Text Reading

*Exodus 17:1-7 (ESV), pp. 69-70*

*Romans 5:1-11 (ESV), pp. 1119-1120*

Message

*Bruce Brown*

Prayer of Affirmation



RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\* Hymn (Blue #332)

*"Live Into Hope"*

\*Offering Prayer

*Our offering is received in the offering plate on the back table in the sanctuary.*

\*Doxology

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

*The prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are responsive. When you hear the leader say:*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Please respond,*

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord's Prayer

**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**

SENDING OUT

\*Closing Hymn (Blue #366)

*"Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me"*

\*Blessing and Benediction

Departing Music

CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**VANCREST:** Dollie Smith

**SIMMONS CROSSING:** Connie Cobb

**ALPINE VILLAGE:** Sandy Johnson

**PRAYER LIST:** Gene & Carol Detmer, Sandee & Lenny Schweter, Julie Fogle, Kathy Schilens (Jana Schroeder's sister), Enoch & Adyē Castro Vásquez (Olga Hall's father and mother), Jacob Clegg (Brenda Stough's friend), Betty Sladek (Ed Sladek's Wife)

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**ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

**March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**10:00 a.m.**

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## Welcome to our Worship!

We are glad to have you with us today. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you. Everyone is welcome for refreshments and fellowship after worship. Thank you, Mike Whitman, for being liturgist today.

Our **offering** is received on the back table in the sanctuary, you can give online using the **QR code** at right or donate from our **website**.

Please volunteer to be **liturgist** or **bring cookies**.

Signup is at the back table in the sanctuary.



We are collecting **candy for the Easter Egg Hunt** at St. Paul Lutheran Church on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. We need about 500 pieces of candy that fit in an egg, and we're putting them together on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Please bring the candy by next Sunday, or if you cannot, before the 21<sup>st</sup>.

I have asked the churches we work with the most to see if any have any plans for Lent. Emanuel Lutheran Church is doing something special during their **Lenten Thursday night services** at 7:00 p.m. We are welcome to attend.

The **Presbyterian Women and Friends** of the Defiance Church meet at 12:30 p.m. Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Connect to the Community** meets on Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

The **New Member Class** is meeting on Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Please tell Bruce what you like on your pizza.

**Session** meets on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

The **Friendship Lunch** is at Hill's on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

**Connections Bible Study** meets on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. They are studying *Respectable Sins: Confronting the Sins We Tolerate* by Jerry Bridges. Please talk with Patricia for a book.

Our **Card of the Week** is going to Dollie Smith.

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## Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me

Song by CityAlight

Words and music by Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson & Michael Farren

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zundjUFazfg>

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy, my righteousness,  
and freedom  
My steadfast love, my deep  
and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to His  
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing, "All is  
mine"  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken  
For by my side, Saviour He will stay  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need, His power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd  
will defend me  
Through the deepest valley He will lead  
Oh, the night has been won,  
and I shall overcome  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven  
The future's sure, the price  
it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh, the chains are released,  
I can sing, "I am free"  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus  
For He has said that  
He will bring me home  
And day by day I know  
He will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to Him  
When the race is complete,  
still my lips shall repeat  
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