

# Order for the Worship of God

## Welcome & Announcements

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### GATHERING

Welcome *from Romans 15:3, Colossians 1:11*

- L May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing,  
**C So that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.**  
L May we be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power,  
**C So that we may have all endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to the Father.**

Prayer  
\*Opening Hymn (Blue #482) *"Praise Ye The Lord"*

Worship from the Psalms *(from Psalm 98)*

- L O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory.  
**C The Lord has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.**  
L He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.  
**C All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**  
L Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.  
**C Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.**  
L With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.  
**C Let the sea roar and all that fills it, the world and those who live in it.**  
L Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord, for he is coming to judge the earth.  
**C He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.**

Prayer of Confession  
**Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you; you call us, but we have not listened. We forget your love and do what we want without concern for You and others. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with pride, quarrelling, and divisiveness. Holy God, help us to face up to ourselves, to receive your forgiveness and love, and to understand the fullness of your calling. Move toward us in mercy, teach us to repent, turn to you and find grace through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Silent Prayers of Reflections  
Assurance of Pardon *(from Isaiah 25:8-10)*  
\*Responsive Hymn (Blue #40, first verse) *"Joy To The World"*

### PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Special Music *"Teach Us That One Song"*  
Prayer for Illumination

**Heavenly Father, I pray that I may live this day in your presence and please you more and more.**  
**Lord Jesus, I pray that this day I may take up my cross and follow you.**  
**Holy Spirit, I pray that this day you will fill me with yourself and cause your fruit to ripen in my life: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.**

Scripture Luke 15:1-10  
Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance."

“Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

Message

Bruce Brown

Prayer of Affirmation

**RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD**

\* Hymn (Blue #145)

*“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”*

\*Offering Prayer

\*Doxology

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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

*Lord in your joy,*

*Please respond,*

**Hear our prayer.**

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 #464)

*“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”*

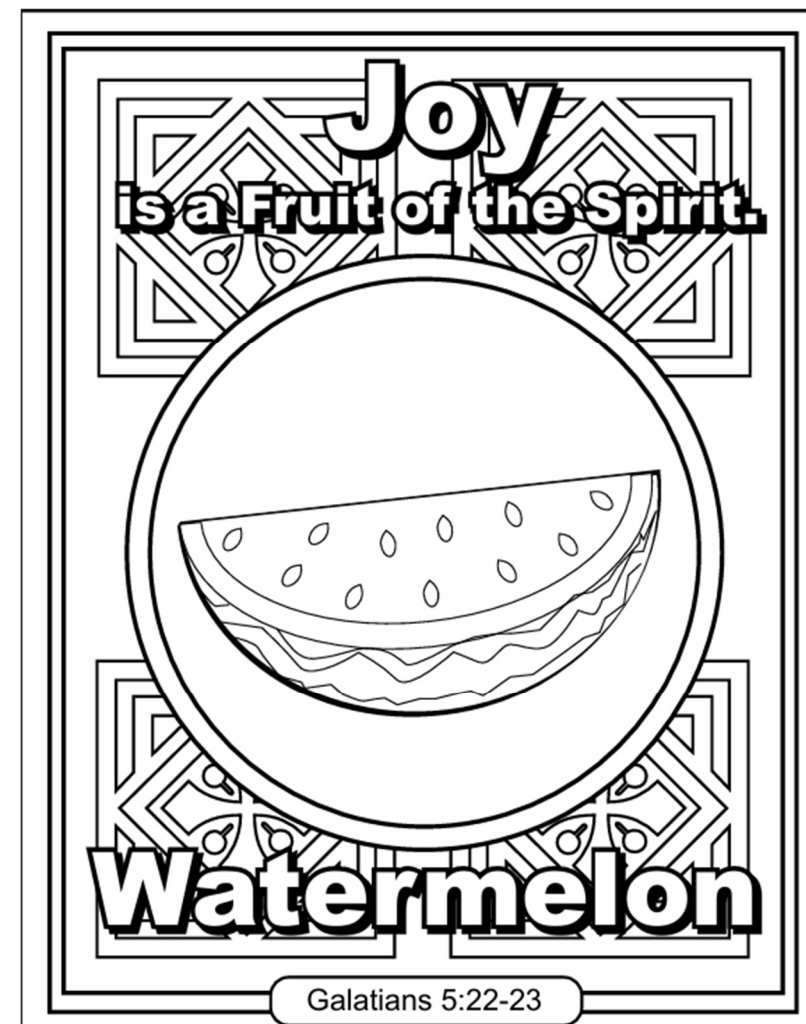
\*Blessing and Benediction

Departing Music

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**ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

**September 28th, 2025**

**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, Olga Hall, 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.



Next Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup> is **World Communion Sunday**, when we celebrate the unity of the church with communion and receive the Peace and Global Witness special offering.

**Connect to the Community** next meet at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Congregational Life** meets at 10 a.m. on Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.

We will be having a **“fruit-themed” potluck** on Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup> after church. Be creative!

The **Connections Bible Study** is still studying Liz Curtis Higgs' book *Bad Girls of the Bible: And What We Can Learn From Them*. They meet on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 6:30 p.m.

We are also invited to go to the **Presbyterian Women and Friends** meetings at the Defiance Presbyterian Church. Their next meeting will be Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m.

**Together We Can Make a Difference** could use whatever you are willing to donate. They going through a lot of cereal and could always use cans of no-sugar fruit.

Our **Card of the Week** goes to Connie Cobb.

### CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**NORTHCREST NURSING HOME:** Harold Badertscher

**VANCREST:** Dollie Smith

**SIMMONS CROSSING:** Connie Cobb

**ALPINE VILLAGE:** Sandy Johnson

**PRAYER LIST:** Gene & Carol Detmer, Joe & Linda McOscar, 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)

## Teach Us That One Song

By John Guerra

Lyric version: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Mx8QGWUI6s>

Live version: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DAViPF49o8A>

God, I was just a kid  
Three chords, I raised my hymn  
And how I raised my heart with it

Teach us that one song  
That we all used to know  
It went, “Hallelujah”

Kid, strum that old guitar  
The Lord will strum your heart  
For that's how all your best songs start

Teach us that one song  
That we all used to know  
It went, “Gloria”

Lord, I've been the boy David  
Sprinting to Goliath  
But these days my feet ain't as quick

Teach us that one march  
That we all used to know  
It went, “Kid bring your sling, and I'll bring an army”

Christ, my heart's beloved one  
Are you proud of who I've become?  
Your voice is the voice I want

So teach me that one song  
And I will sing along  
I'll sing, “Hallelujah”  
I'll sing, “Gloria”  
I'll sing, “Hallelujah”