

An Order for the Worship of God

September 6, 2026

Ringling of the Bells

Welcome & Announcements - Candle Lighting and Prelude

*Please stand, if able

Call to Worship: based on Psalm 149 (Liturgist – **Congregation**)

Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song; give him praise in the assembly of the faithful.

For the Lord takes pleasure in the people and adorns the humble with victory.

Let us praise God's name with dancing, making melody with tambourine and lyre.

Let the faithful exult in glory; we will sing for joy and let the high praises of God be in our throats.

Let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn: #287, For the Fruit of All Creation

Opening Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord. Day by day you guide us; every breath we take is a gift of your mercy. You strengthen our knees to serve you. You lift our hands to give you all praise. We come before you in the company of sisters and brothers to give you the worship due your wonderful name. May our words be worthy of the trust you place in us and our meditations mindful of your benevolent care. For we ask this in the name of our beloved Savior, Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray: "Our Father ... (debts/debtors)"

New Testament Reading: Romans 13:8-14

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri: #558 (PILGRIM)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18:15-20

Liturgist: This is the gospel message of our Lord and Savior.

All: May the reading and the hearing of Your word inform our minds, comfort our souls, and guide our feet.

Sermon: The Goal of Church Discipline

*Responsive Hymn: #22, Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee, v. 1, 2 & 4

Congregational Prayer

L: Lord, in your mercy

C: **Hear our prayer**

Call for the Offering

Let us share God's blessings, as we collect our tithes, gifts, and offerings.

*Doxology #562 (Pilgrim)

Offering Prayer:

Life-giving God, we offer you ourselves and our resources. Use us and our gifts, that we may be water-bearers to a world thirsty for love, for meaning, for justice, and for hope. May all your people encounter fullness of life through the love of Christ, which lives within us. Amen.

*Closing Hymn: #436, O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee, v. 1-3

Benediction

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord in the name of Christ. Amen.

*Extinguishing the Candles
Postlude

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Worship Leaders

Pastor

Liturgist

Director of Music

Jerry Eisner

Mary Kugel

Sue Laubenheimer



Welcome Visitors! Thank you for joining this congregation for worship this morning. You are welcome and encouraged to participate in all functions of the church including communion and fellowship. Please pick up a *Welcome!* Folder as you exit the church to learn more about the offerings of

St Jacobi Congregational Church!

We are happy you are here!

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