

An Order for the Worship of God

July 5, 2026

Ring of the Bells

Welcome & Announcements - Candle Lighting and Prelude

*Please stand, if able

Call to Worship: based on Psalm 45 (Liturgist – **Congregation**)

Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever. You love righteousness and hate wickedness.

I will cause your name to be celebrated in all generations; therefore, the peoples will praise you forever and ever.

Let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn: #299, My Country, 'Tis of Thee

Opening Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

You are our guardian and shield, O God, our protector who keeps us from falling. You surround us with righteousness that wards off evil forces; in Christ is the assurance to withstand ways that may tempt us. You shower us with your mercy that cleanses wrongdoing. You temper your judgment with compassion. We stand in adoration and praise of your name. 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 7:15-25a

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri: #558 (PILGRIM)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

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 Unburdened Heart

*Responsive Hymn: #248, How Firm a Foundation, v. 1-3

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:

Heavenly Father, today our hearts thank you for the abundance of your grace toward us. We praise you with our lips. We glorify you with our lives. We proclaim your salvation to people throughout the world. As an indication of our desire that others might know of your grace, we bring our tithes, gifts, and offerings for the advancement of the work of your kingdom. Bless these offerings to that purpose. Amen.

*Closing Hymn: #349, Take My Life and Let It Be

Benediction

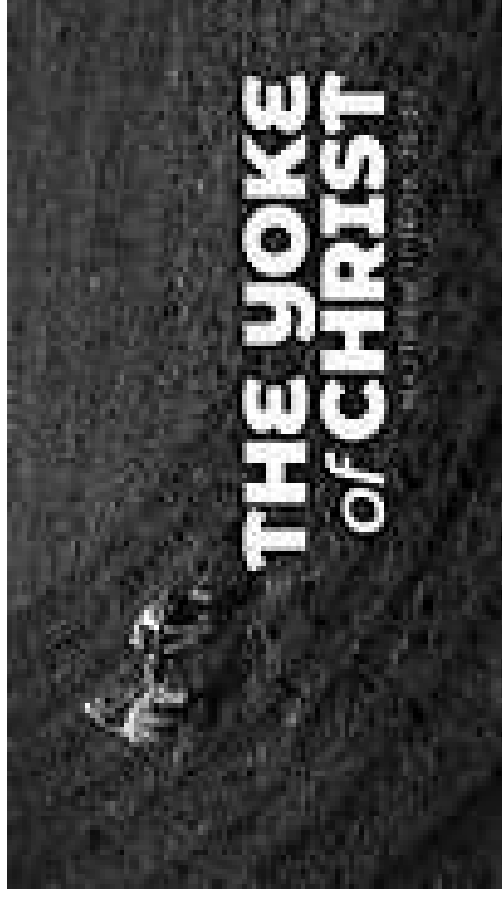
We go in peace to love and serve the Lord in the name of Christ. Amen.

*Extinguishing the Candles
Postlude

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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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