

An Order for the Worship of God

July 12, 2026

Ringling of the Bells

Welcome & Announcements - Candle Lighting and Prelude

*Please stand, if able

Call to Worship: based on Psalm 119 (Liturgist – **Congregation**)

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Accept my offerings of praise, O Lord, and teach me your ordinances.

Your decrees are my heritage forever, they are the joy of my heart.

Incline my heart to perform you statutes forever, even unto the end.

Let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn: #256, Thy Word Is a Lamp

Opening Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Like a beacon you lead us to safe havens. Like a laser you discern the thoughts of our hearts. You enlighten our darkness and clarify our confusion. You, indeed, rescue us when we are bewildered and lost. Accept now our offerings of praise and thanksgiving as we open your word and learn of your ways. 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 8:1-11

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri: #558 (PILGRIM)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:1-9

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: How Well Do You Hear?

*Responsive Hymn: 497, Blest Be the Tie That Binds, 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, we give thanks for all we have received: gifts of love and time, money and abilities. Into these bowls and into this place, we return a portion of these gifts. Bless those who receive them, just as we are blessed in the act of sharing them. We ask this in the name of your Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Closing Hymn: #255, Wonderful Words of Life

Benediction

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

*Extinguishing the Candles
Postlude

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH



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