An Order for the Worship of God
November 15, 2026

Ringing of the Bells
Welcome & Announcements - Candle Lighting and Prelude

*Please stand, if able
Call to Worship: based on Psalm 123 (Liturgist – **Congregation**)

To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!
As the eyes of a maid look to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to you, Giver of every good gift.
Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us.
Look with favor upon us, O Lord, and be pleased with our praise and thanksgiving.
Let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn: #37, Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise, v. 1-3

Opening Prayer & The Lord's Prayer
Gracious Creator, your day draws near with deliberate haste. We prepare ourselves for the providence that you promise to us in Christ. As we gather in this place to give you all praise and glory, fill us so with the Holy Spirit that we may discern your will. May we thereby be led to worship you in all that we do, with thanksgiving to Jesus who shows us the way. 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: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri: #558 (PILGRIM)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:14-30
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: Good and Faithful Servant

*Responsive Hymn:

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:
Gracious and abundant God, bless these offerings and these gifts. Grant that they may be used for your will here on earth. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*Closing Hymn: #22, Joyful, Joyful, We Adore 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

ST. JACOBI CONGREGATIONAL

Worship Leaders

Pastor	Jerry Eisner
Liturgist	Mary Kugel
Director of Music	Sue Laubenheimer

CHURCH

The Parable of the Talents



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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