

An Order for the Worship of God

August 9, 2026

Ringling of the Bells

Welcome & Announcements - Candle Lighting and Prelude

*Please stand, if able

Call to Worship: based on Romans 10 (Liturgist – **Congregation**)

The word is near you, on your lips, and in your heart.

If we confess with our lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead, we will be saved.

For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and is saved.

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn: #14, Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above, v. 1-3

Opening Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

O God, we gather to hear of the mighty acts you perform, of how you deal justly with your people. You have led them from peril and delivered them from persecution. By the hands of Christ, you lift us up to safe places, and give us a vision of how we may dwell secure in your love. Hear us now as we give thanks for your providence and praise for your mercy. 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 10:5-15

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri: #558 (PILGRIM)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 14:22-33

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: Purpose in Problems

*Responsive Hymn: We Walk by Faith (Insert)

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:

We offer our gifts to you, Lord, with grateful, cheerful hearts. Thank you that you meet our needs on the journey, providing what we need when we need it. Trusting you, we can share what we have with others, and we do this joyfully, together today. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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

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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We are happy you are here!

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