



ST. PAUL'S  
PRESBYTERIAN

*For The Glory of God & The Joy of All Peoples*

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

On the Lord's Day Morning  
Third Sunday after Epiphany  
January 25, 2026, at 10:30



*To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire hope; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whoever will come—this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

*The sounding of the  
bells calls us to quiet our  
hearts before worship.*

## Welcome

## Prelude

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise  
JOANNA

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.*

*Unresting, unceasing and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.*

† congregation standing

✠ congregation kneeling

## Call to Worship

From Psalm 107

**Minister:** Oh give thanks to the LORD for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

**People:** Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

**Minister:** Let them extol him in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.



### ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

## † Hymn of Proclamation

Hymn A • Trinity Hymnal #441

## Jesus Shall Reign

DUKE STREET

## † Prayer of Adoration

**Unison:** Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

## † Old Testament Reading

Numbers 6:1-27

Pew Bible, page 114

**Minister:** The Word of the Lord!

**People:** Thanks be to God!

*Worship is a dialogue. God speaks to us in the Call to Worship and we respond in prayer and praise.*

*“Through [Christ] let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name” (Hebrews 13:15).*

*“Devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture” (I Timothy 4:13).*

## ✠ Prayer of Confession

**Unison:** O God of mercy and justice, in your holy presence we confess our sin. You have shown us what is good and what you require of us. But we have not done justice, loved mercy, or walked humbly with you, our God. We have not loved you as we ought, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us for our sin and restore us to paths of righteousness for Christ's namesake. Amen.

*Please take a moment to silently confess your sin.*

## ✠ Assurance of Pardon

From Isaiah 44 and 1 Corinthians 3

**Minister:** Thus says the Lord: Do not be afraid. For I will pour water on the thirsty land, and streams on the dry ground; I will pour out my Spirit on your offspring, and my blessing on your descendants. They will spring up like grass in a meadow, like poplar trees by flowing streams. You are God's field, God's building. All things are yours, and you are Christ's, and Christ is God's.

**Unison:** Thanks be to God!

*This prayer may include elements of adoration, confession, thanksgiving, and supplication. Special attention is given to the needs, sorrows, and joys of our local congregation. As a shepherd of the flock, the pastor prays that God would be glorified and enjoyed in our midst.*

## ✠ Pastoral Prayer



## † Hymn of Consecration

Hymn B

## Facing a Task Unfinished

Original Words: Frank Houghton

Original Music: Samuel Wesley

New Words and Music: Getty, Cash, and deBarra

## † Affirmation of Faith

## The Westminster Confession of Faith

Of Lawful Oaths and Vows; Chapter 22.1-3

**Unison:** A lawful oath is part of religious worship, in which—on an appropriate occasion—the person taking the oath solemnly calls upon God to witness what he asserts or promises and to judge him according to the truth or falsehood of what he swears.

The name of God is the only name by which men should swear, and they should do so with all holy fear and reverence. Therefore, to swear vainly or rashly by that glorious and fearful name, or to swear at all by any other thing, is sinful and to be abhorred. Yet since, in matters of weight and great importance, an oath is warranted by the Word of God under the new testament as well as under the old, therefore, a lawful oath ought to be taken when imposed in such matters by lawful authority.

Whoever takes an oath ought to consider seriously the great importance of such a solemn act, and in doing so should affirm nothing but what he himself is fully convinced is the truth. A person may bind himself by oath only to what is good and just, what he believes to be such, and what he is able and resolved to perform.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

† Gloria

Gloria Patri #734

MEINEKE

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it

was in the be - gin - ning, is

now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out

end. A - men, a - men.

Children are welcome for our entire service. Following the Gloria, a specifically designed time for children aged four through first grade is also provided. Those interested can meet at the back of the Fellowship Hall.

† New Testament Lesson

Acts 21:17-26

Pew Bible, page 930

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. Justin Borger

*It is the duty of all who hear  
God's word preached to listen  
carefully, prayerfully, and to  
receive the truth with humility.*

TO THE END OF THE EARTH:  
*The Brothers Received Us Gladly*



† Hymn of Response

Christ for the World We Sing

Hymn C • Trinity Hymnal #447

ITALIAN HYMN

*"But as you excel in  
everything—in faith, in  
speech, in knowledge, in all  
earnestness, and in our love  
for you—see that you excel in  
this act of grace also"  
(2 Corinthians 8:7).*

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Giving to God and Choral Offertory

Praise the Savior

Words by V. H. C. Fortunatus

Music from the Korallbok

Arr. by Dale Grotenhuis

*Praise the Savior now and ever, praise Him all beneath the skies;  
Prostrate lying, suff'ring, dying, on the cross a sacrifice.  
Vict'ry gaining, life obtaining, now in glory He doth rise.*

*Man's work faileth, Christ's avaieth, He is all our Righteousness;  
He our Savior, hath forever set us free from dire distress.  
Thro' His merit we inherit light and peace and happiness.*

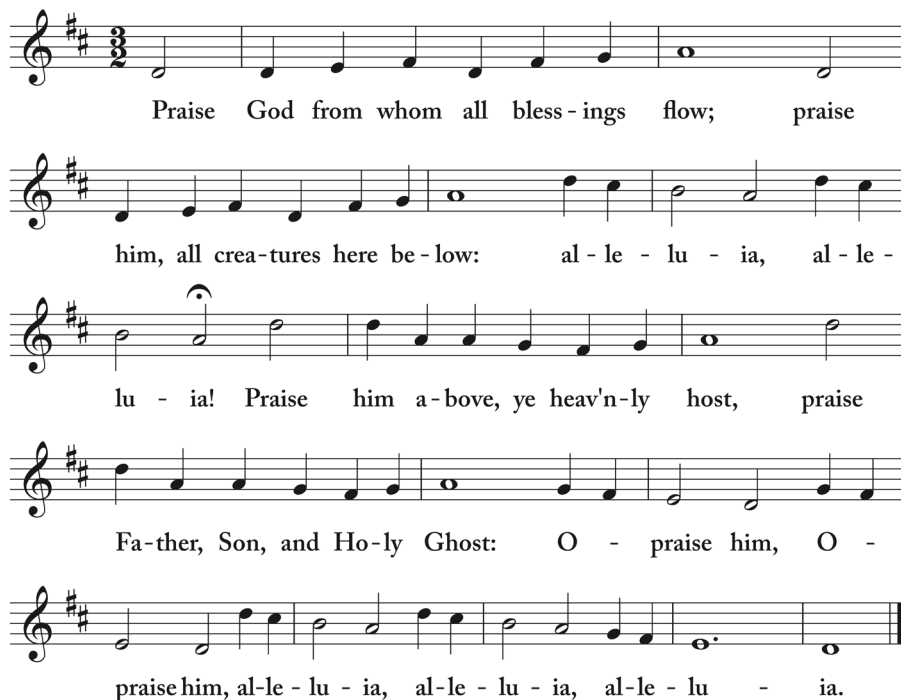
*Sin's bonds severed, we're delivered, Christ hath bruised the serpent's head.  
Death no longer is the stronger, Hell itself is captive led.  
Christ hath risen from Death's prison, o'er the tomb He light hath shed.*

*For His favor, praise forever, unto God the Father sing;  
Praise the Savior, praise Him ever, Son of God, our Lord and King.  
Praise the Spirit through Christ's merit, He doth us salvation bring. Amen!*

## † Doxology

## Doxology #733

LASST UNS ERFREUEN



Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise  
him, all crea - tures here be - low: al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
lu - ia! Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host, praise  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost: O - praise him, O -  
praise him, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## † Prayer of Dedication

## † Benediction

## † Sending Forth Hymn

Hymn D • Trinity Hymnal #55 (Verses 1 and 3)

## To God Be the Glory

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

## Postlude

## Glory Be to God the Father

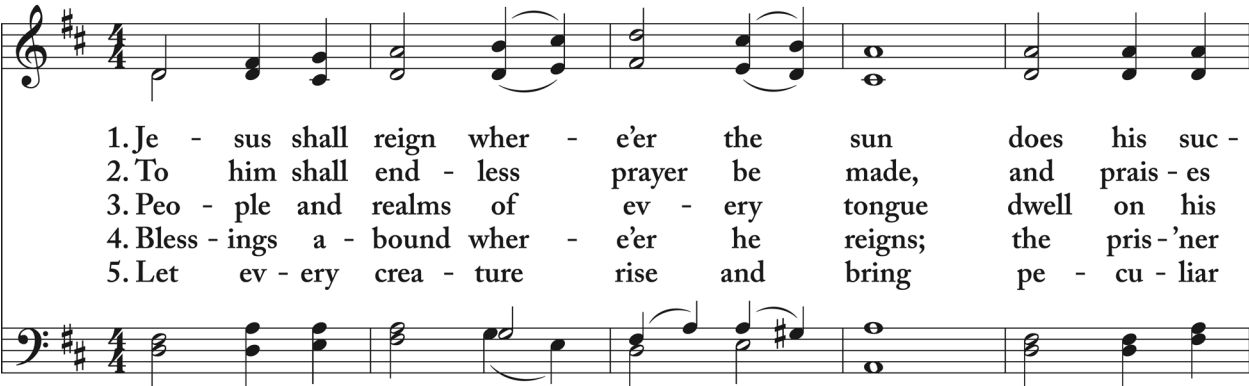
ODE TO JOY

*Please take a moment to greet those around you.*

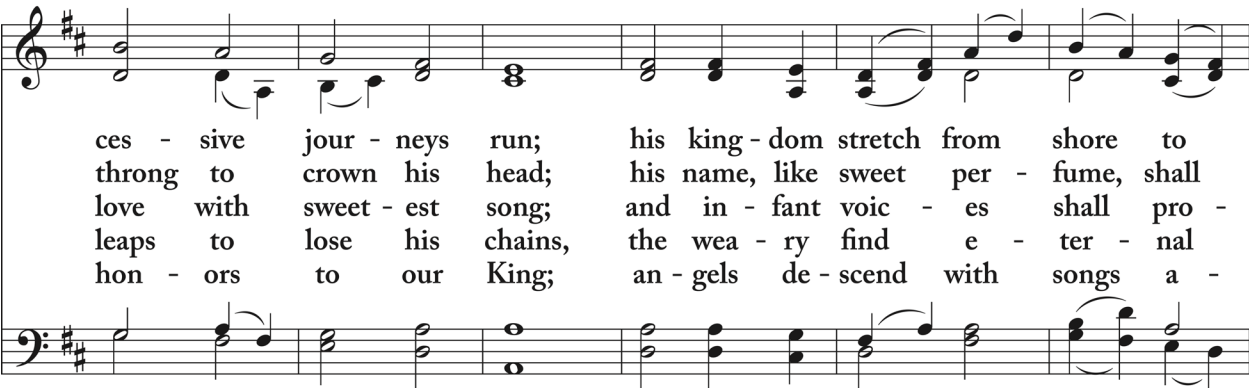
*In this Prayer of Dedication, the minister asks God to use the gifts of his people for the advancement of his kingdom and the praise of his glory.*

# Jesus Shall Reign

*He will rule from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. Ps. 72:8*



1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does his suc -  
 2. To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
 3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his  
 4. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns; the pris - 'ner  
 5. Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from shore to  
 throng to crown his head; his name, like sweet per - fume, shall  
 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es shall pro -  
 leaps to lose his chains, the wea - ry find e - ter - nal  
 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with songs a -



shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.  
 rest, and all the sons of want are blest.  
 gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

# Facing a Task Unfinished

(We Go To All the World)

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1. Fac - ing a task un - fin - ished, that drives us to our knees. A need that, un - di -  
 2. Where oth - er lords be - side Thee hold their un - hin - dered sway; where for - ces that de -  
 3. We bear the torch that, flam - ing fell from the hands of those who gave their lives pro -  
 4. O Fa - ther who sus - tained them, O Spi - rit who in - spired, Sav - iour, whose love con -

min - ished, re - bukes our sloth - ful ease. We, who re - joice to know Thee, re -  
 fied Thee, de - fy Thee still to - day. With none to heed their cry - ing for  
 claim - ing that Je - sus died and rose. Ours is the same com - mis - sion, the  
 strained them to toil with zeal un - tired. From cow - ar - dice de - fend us, from

new be - fore Thy throne the so - lemn pledge we owe Thee— to go and make Thee  
 life, and love, and light, un - num - bered souls are dy - ing and pass in - to the  
 same glad mess - age ours; fired by the same am - bi - tion, to Thee we yield our  
 leth - ar - gy a - wake! Forth on Thine er - rands send us to la - bour for Thy

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 sake.

go to all the world, with king - dom hope un - furled. No oth - er name has

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power to save but Je - sus Christ the Lord.

D.S. al Coda

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Lord. We go to all the world, His

king - dom hope un - furled. No oth - er name has power to save but Je - sus Christ the

Lord.

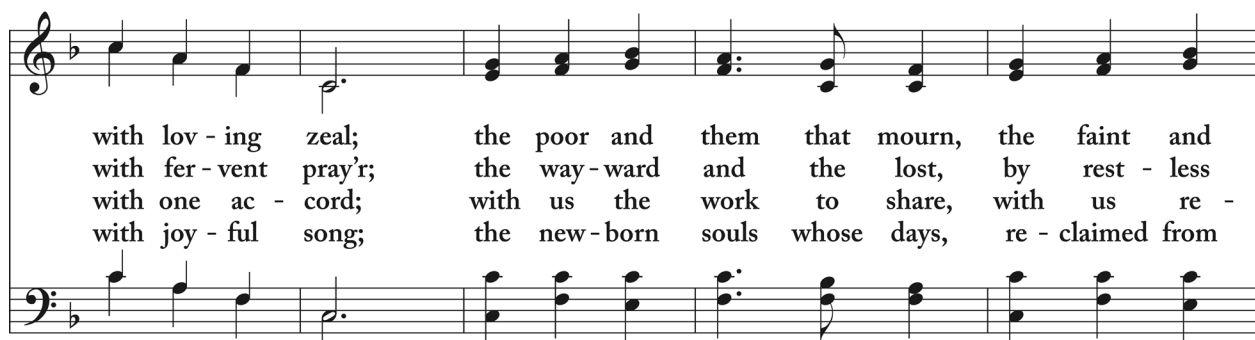
# Christ for the World We Sing

*Repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations.*

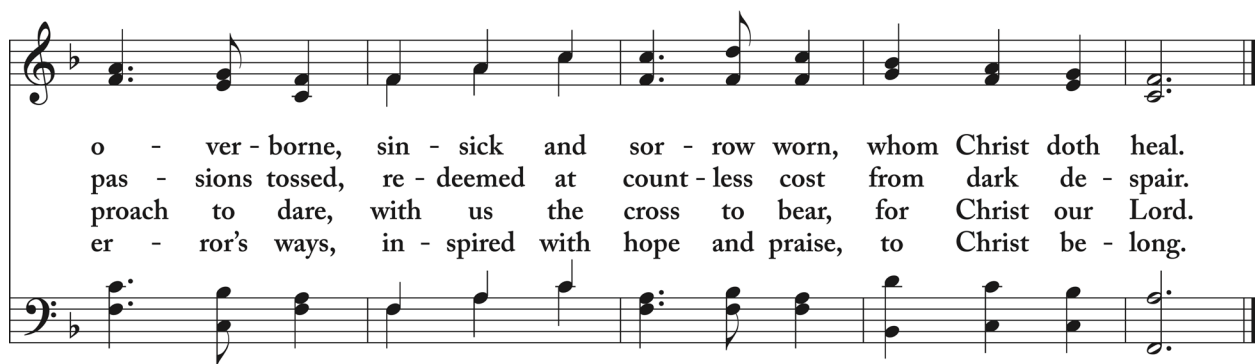
Luke 24:47



1. Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring  
 2. Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring  
 3. Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring  
 4. Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring



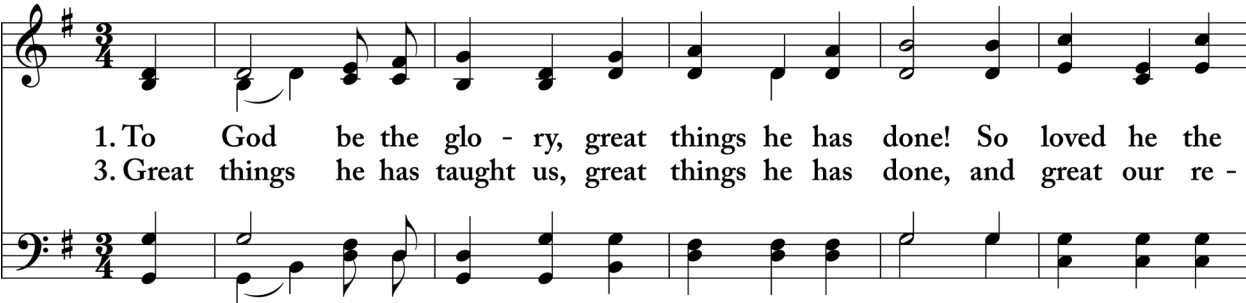
with lov - ing zeal; the poor and them that mourn, the faint and  
 with fer - vent pray'r; the way - ward and the lost, by rest - less  
 with one ac - cord; with us the work to share, with us re -  
 with joy - ful song; the new - born souls whose days, re - claimed from



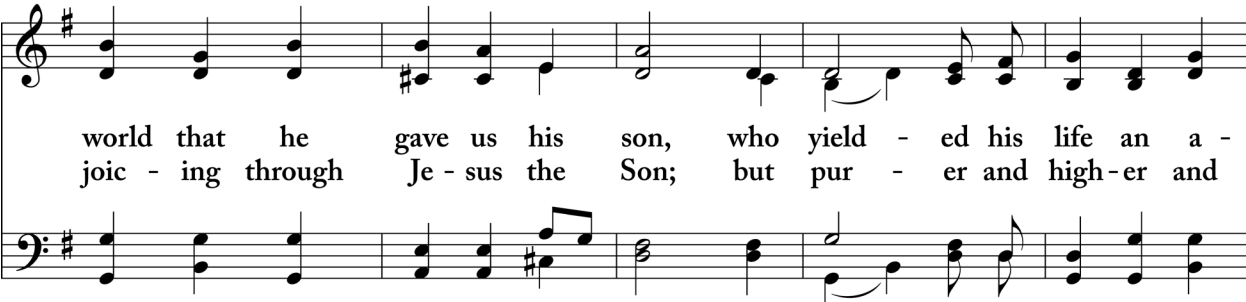
o - ver - borne, sin - sick and sor - row worn, whom Christ doth heal.  
 pas - sions tossed, re - deemed at count - less cost from dark de - spair.  
 proach to dare, with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.  
 er - ror's ways, in - spired with hope and praise, to Christ be - long.

# To God Be the Glory

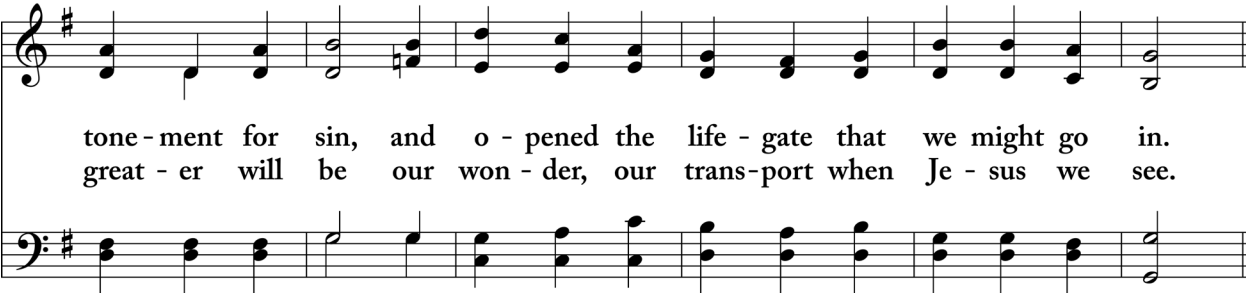
*All the people were praising God for what had happened. Acts 4:21*



1. To God be the glo - ry, great things he has done! So loved he the  
3. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our re -



world that he gave us his son, who yield - ed his life an a -  
joic - ing through Je - sus the Son; but pur - er and high - er and



tone - ment for sin, and o - pened the life - gate that we might go in.  
great - er will be our won - der, our trans - port when Je - sus we see.

REFRAIN

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord,

praise the Lord, let the people re-joice! O come to the Fa-ther through

Je-sus the Son, and give him the glo-ry, great things he has done!

TO THE END OF THE EARTH:

*The Brothers Received Us Gladly*

Acts 21:17-26 | Rev. Justin Borger

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**Big Idea:** Upon his arrival in Jerusalem, Paul is welcomed by James and the elders of the church in Jerusalem who praise God for his ministry among the Gentiles. But Paul also faces false allegations from many Jewish believers who slanderously accuse him of teaching against the law of Moses. Therefore, as a proof of his piety and to promote the peace of the church, Paul follows the elders' instructions to engage in a ritual act of purity and to pay the expenses of four men who had taken a Nazarite vow.

*i. Praise God for his work among the nations*

*ii. Strive for unity in the bonds of peace*

## DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

*Use this plan for your daily Bible reading.*

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| • Sunday, January 25    | Esther 2 • Acts 25     |
| • Monday, January 26    | Esther 3 • Acts 26     |
| • Tuesday, January 27   | Esther 4 • Acts 27     |
| • Wednesday, January 28 | Esther 5 • Acts 28     |
| • Thursday, January 29  | Esther 6 • Romans 1    |
| • Friday, January 30    | Esther 7 • Romans 2    |
| • Saturday, January 31  | Esther 8 • Romans 3    |
| • Sunday, February 1    | Esther 9-10 • Romans 4 |

## WEEKLY SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*Use these questions to reflect more deeply on this week's sermon.*

1. Why was it important for Paul to return to Jerusalem, even though he desired to visit Rome and preach the gospel in Spain (Romans 15:20, 24)?
2. What did Paul do upon his return to Jerusalem? How was he received by the leadership of the church? What can we learn from this?
3. Why did the elders of the church in Jerusalem ask Paul to purify himself and pay the expenses of four men that had taken special vow (Acts 21:23-24)?
4. What ought we learn from Paul's willingness to follow the elders' instructions?
5. What kind of expense should we be similarly willing to incur to "maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (Ephesians 4:3)?

## MONTHLY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

*Devote time to memorizing this passage of Scripture throughout the month.*

**"Then Paul answered, 'What are you doing, weeping and breaking my heart? For I am ready not only to be imprisoned but even to die in Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus.'" (Acts 21:13)**

## ABOUT WORSHIP

In his encounter with the woman of Samaria, Jesus explained that “God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth” (John 4:24). The reason Jesus says true worshipers must worship in this way is because God himself “is spirit.” Here we discover the simple yet profound principle that true worship is a response to God as he has personally revealed himself. Thus, conformity to God’s character is the key to true worship. “Great is the LORD,” as the psalmist puts it, “and greatly to be praised” (Psalm 48:1)! In worship, we seek to reflect this divine reality, declaring with our lips and demonstrating with our lives that God is supremely precious and therefore worthy of all glory and honor and praise.

## THE SHAPE OF WORSHIP



**Entering God’s Presence**—We gather in response to God’s call to worship, joyfully offering praise to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. With reverence and awe, we confess our sins and receive God’s forgiveness, which is declared in Jesus’ name.



**Renewing Our Faith**—Worship continues with a focus on God’s Word. Our faith is renewed as we publicly confess the truth of God, join our hearts and voices in prayers and hymns of praise to God, and hear the good news of God powerfully proclaimed.



**Responding in Thanks**—As hearing becomes doing, we respond to the proclamation of God’s Word. Songs of praise continue to be raised and the gifts and offerings of God’s people are collected. On Communion Sundays we are invited to celebrate the Lord’s Supper. With God’s blessing upon us, we are sent into the world to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ!

### Why Do We Worship in This Way?

*In this section, we answer a question about worship each week.*

**Question:** Why are we asked to kneel at various times in worship?

**Answer:** Body language is powerful, and God’s Word frequently commands us to use our bodies to communicate the disposition of our hearts in worship. “Oh come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!” (Psalm 95:6, 63:4, 150:5; 1 Timothy 2:8)

# WELCOME, VISITORS!

We are delighted you have joined us for worship. Our hope is that you find our worship service glorifying to God and personally refreshing.

We would love to connect with you. Please stop by our Welcome Kiosk in the Narthex after the service so that we may greet you in person and provide you a *Welcome Bag*. To connect with us, please use the QR code below to fill out a *Connect Card*.

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## ***Our Vision***

To see the invisible kingdom of heaven made visible,  
for the glory of God and the joy of all peoples.

## ***Our Mission***

To grow in grace and give away our lives  
in the following seven major ministry areas:

**Worship** that exalts God in Christ and promotes unity in the Spirit

**Discipleship** that is rooted in the Scriptures and centered in the gospel

**Community** that is characterized by discipleship and care for one another

**Local Missions** that promotes the common good and evangelizes the lost

**Global Missions** that participates in church planting and spreading the gospel  
to the ends of the earth

**Children's Ministry** that partners with parents to build children up in the  
faith through loving care and Reformed biblical teaching

**Youth Ministry** that promotes maturity, joy, and identity in Christ

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