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For The Glory of God & The Joy of All Peoples

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

On the Lord's Day Morning
Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 10, 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

Introit

Eden's Song

Words by Beverly Easterling
Music Theme: O WALY WALY
Arr. by Mark Schweizer

A memory of Eden stirs, and walks within the warmth of spring.

It whispers ev'ry hope God has to Life Eternal, listening.

*Stretch past the gloom of winter's grey, unfurl by faith and not by sight,
To touch the light of length'ning day that calls thee forth to green delight.
The season of new growth begins, embrace the promise we all share,
Lift ev'ry voice and celebrate, the Living God, who's always there.*

† congregation standing

✠ congregation kneeling

Call to Worship

From Psalm 97

Minister: The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!

People: The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory. All worshipers of images are put to shame, who make their boast in worthless idols; worship him, all you gods!

Minister: Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!



ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

† Hymn of Proclamation

Hymn A • Trinity Hymnal #310

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

DARWALL

† Prayer of Adoration

Unison: O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

† Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 27:1

Pew Bible, page 587

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Worship begins when God, through the pastor ministering in his name, summons us to the praise of his glory.

Christian worship is trinitarian: we worship one God who exists eternally in three persons, Father, Son, and Spirit.

There is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents (Luke 15:10).

✠ Prayer of Confession

Unison: Lord of grace and truth, you command us to have no other gods before you. But we have run after idols. You command us to worship according to your Word. But we have worshiped according to our own imaginations and preferences. You command us to hallow your name. But we have dishonored it. You command us to keep the Sabbath holy. But we have treated it like any other day. You command us to honor our father and mother. But we have dishonored and disobeyed those in authority. You command us to preserve life. But we have committed murder in our hearts. You command us not to commit adultery. But we have been unfaithful. You command us not to steal. But we have taken what does not belong to us. You command us not to bear false witness. But we have slandered our neighbor. You command us not to covet. But we have been discontent. You tell us that if we love you we will keep your commandments. But we have not loved you or kept your commandments. And so, we humbly repent and ask you to forgive us. Help us to love you out of the great love with which you first loved us, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Please take a moment to silently confess your sin.

✠ Assurance of Pardon

From Colossians 2

Minister: Hear this good news! You, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with Christ, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

In the Assurance of Pardon, tired and weary sinners are comforted with the good news of God's grace and forgiveness.

✠ Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

"Before they call, I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear" (Isaiah 65:24).

Unison: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

✠ Pastoral Prayer



† Hymn of Consecration

Hymn B • Trinity Hymnal #691

It Is Well with My Soul

VILLE DU HAVRE

† Affirmation of Faith

Westminster Larger Catechism

Question and Answer #31

Minister: With whom was the covenant of grace made?

People: The covenant of grace was made with Christ as the second Adam, and in him with all the elect as his seed.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

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.

† Gloria

Patrick Doyle



Glo-ry be to thee our Fa-ther, Glo-ry
be to Je-sus Christ His Son, Glo-ry be to thee, Oh
Ho-ly Ghost, the bles-sed three in one! As it
was in the be-gin-ning, is now and e-ver
shall be; for-e-ver-more, world with-out end. A -
men, A - men A - men.

† New Testament Lesson

Acts 28:1-10

Pew Bible, page 937

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. Justin Berger

TO THE END OF THE EARTH:

Shaking off the Snake



† Hymn of Response

Hymn C • Trinity Hymnal #521

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK

Giving to God and Offertory

When the Stars Fall

Words and Music by Stephen Hatfield

*When the sea shakes, then I trust my saviour.
When the sea breaks, still I trust my saviour.
And if the sea crumbles into rust,
Tumbles into dust, yet will I trust my saviour.*

*When the stars call, then I trust my saviour.
When the stars fall, still I trust my saviour.
And if the stars crumble into rust,
Tumble into dust, yet will I trust my saviour.*

*When my heart sighs, then I trust my saviour.
When my heart cries, still I trust my saviour.
And if my heart crumbles into rust,
Tumbles into dust, yet will I trust my saviour.*

“Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!” (Psalm 96:8)

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† Doxology

Vikki Cook



Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all
 creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly
 host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. All glory
 be to God above, who gave his Son in holy
 love, who sends his Comforter to be his seal for
 all eternity, his seal for all eternity.

† Prayer of Dedication

The people of God bear his name. God shows us favor not because we are righteous in ourselves, but because he has chosen to love us.

† Benediction

† Sending Forth Hymn

Hymn D • Trinity Hymnal #616

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

SHOWALTER

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

ALL SAINTS OLD

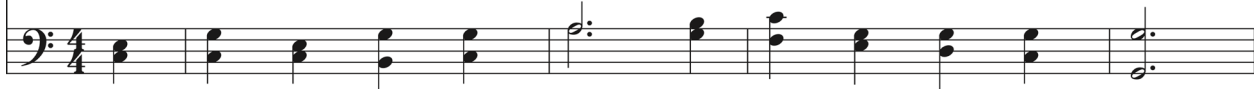
Please take a moment to greet those around you.

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. Heb. 1:3



1. Re - joice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King a - dore!
2. Je - sus the Sav - ior reigns, the God of truth and love;
3. His king - dom can - not fail, he rules o'er earth and heav'n;
4. He sits at God's right hand till all his foes sub - mit,
5. Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come,



REFRAIN



Re - joice, give thanks, and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more.
when he has purged our stains, he took his seat a - bove.
the keys of death and hell are to our Je - sus giv'n. Lift up your
and bow to his com - mand, and fall be - neath his feet.
and take his ser - vants up to their e - ter - nal home.



heart, lift up your voice! Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!



It Is Well with My Soul

"The peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Phil. 4:7

1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way, when sor - rows like
 2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet though tri - als should come, let this blest as -
 3. My sin— O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought!— my sin, not in
 4. O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled

sea bil - lows roll; what - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
 sur - ance cont - rol, that Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es - tate,
 part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
 back as a scroll, the trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de - scend,

REFRAIN

"It is well, it is well with my soul."
 and has shed his own blood for my soul. It is well
 praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well
 "E - ven so"— it is well with my soul.

with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.
 with my soul;

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

No one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.

1 Cor. 3:11



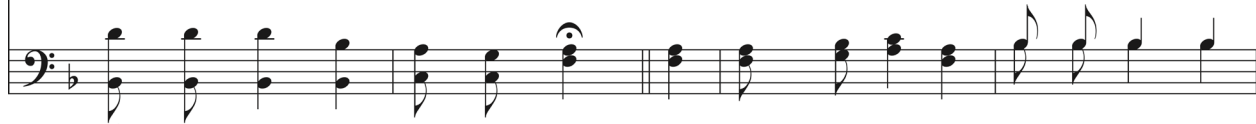
1. My hope is built on noth - ing less than Je - sus' blood and
2. When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on his un -
3. His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the
4. When he shall come with trum - pet sound, O may I then in



right - teous - ness; I dare not trust the sweet - est frame, but
chang - ing grace; in ev - ery high and storm - y gale, my
whelm - ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, he
him be found; dressed in his right - teous - ness a - lone, fault -



whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all
then is all my hope and stay.
less to stand be - fore the throne.



oth - er ground is sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.



Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms. Deut. 33:27



1. What a fel - low - ship, what a joy di - vine,
 2. Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way,
 3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear,



lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms;
 lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms;
 lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms?



what a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine,
 oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
 I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near,



lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
 lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
 lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.



Lean - ing, lean - ing,
Lean - ing on Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,

safe and se - cure from all a - larms;

lean - ing, lean - ing,
lean - ing on Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,

lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

TO THE END OF THE EARTH:

Shaking Off the Snake

Acts 28:1-10 | Rev. Justin Borger

INTRODUCTION

The Big Idea: The Gospel according to Luke and the book of Acts—like the larger biblical storyline—revolves around an epic battle between the seed of the serpent and the seed of the woman (Genesis 3:15). In Luke’s Gospel, Jesus gives his disciples “authority to tread on serpents” promising “nothing shall hurt you” (Luke 10:19), and in Acts 28 we find this promise fulfilled. Not only is Paul miraculously unharmed when bitten by a viper that he throws into the fire, but the Lord’s servant is dramatically vindicated and greatly honored as he travels to represent Christ in Rome.

i. The Conquest of Evil

ii. The Embassy of God

DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

Use this plan for your daily Bible reading.

- Sunday, May 10 Isaiah 8:1-9:7 • James 2
- Monday, May 11 Isaiah 9:8-10:4 • James 3
- Tuesday, May 12 Isaiah 10:5-34 • James 4
- Wednesday, May 13 Isaiah 11-12 • James 5
- Thursday, May 14 Isaiah 13 • 1 Peter 1
- Friday, May 15 Isaiah 14 • 1 Peter 2
- Saturday, May 16 Isaiah 15 • 1 Peter 3
- Sunday, May 17 Isaiah 16 • 1 Peter 4

WEEKLY SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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

1. How does the story of Paul's experience being snakebitten on Malta and throwing the serpent into fire fit within the larger story of Scripture (cf. Genesis 3:15; Isaiah 27:1; Luke 10:19; Revelation 20:1-3)?
2. Under whose feet will Satan soon be crushed according to Romans 16:20? What does this mean?
3. What's even better than treading on serpents according to Jesus in Luke 10:17-20?
4. How is Christ honored in Acts 28:1-10?

MONTHLY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

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

“He lived there two whole years at his own expense, and welcomed all who came to him, proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ with all boldness and without hindrance” (Acts 28:30-31).

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 do we take time to pass the offering plate during the worship service?

Answer: Throughout both the Old and the New Testaments, the sharing of material resources and contributions is described as an act of worship (Deuteronomy 26:1-15; 1 Chronicles 29:10-22; 2 Corinthians 9:12). In Hebrews 13:16, sharing material resources is even described as a sacrifice that is pleasing to God. Therefore, the offering is not merely a practical matter but a proper element of biblical worship.

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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