



ORDER OF WORSHIP | March 31, 2024

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SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

In Christ Alone

CALL TO WORSHIP | Acts 2:22-24, 32-33 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ... This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing.

PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Ephesians 2:4-9 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

Resurrecting

PRAISE & CELEBRATION

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

King Of Kings

Death Was Arrested

CONFESSION OF FAITH

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

From the Westminster Shorter Catechism:

- O. 23. What offices doth Christ execute as our Redeemer?
- A. Christ, as our Redeemer, executeth the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.
- Q. 24. How doth Christ execute the office of a prophet?
- A. Christ executeth the office of a prophet, in revealing to us, by his Word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.
- Q. 25. How doth Christ execute the office of a priest?
- A. Christ executeth the office of a priest, in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.
- Q. 26. How doth Christ execute the office of a king?
- A. Christ executeth the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - 5th Graders)

Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

GREETING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | Tim Rice, Lead Pastor and Director of Church Planting

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING | Mercy Fund Offering

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

Because He Lives (Amen)

BENEDICTION

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you;

the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace, both now and forevermore. Amen.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: Luke 24:13-32 (ESV)

Title: A Resurrection Perspective

Teacher: Tim Rice

13 That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14 and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15 While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. 16 But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. 17 And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. 18 Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" 19 And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, 20 and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. 21 But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. 22 Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, 23 and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. 24 Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." 25 And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" 27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. 28 So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, 29 but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. 30 When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. 31 And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. 32 They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?"

INTRO: What is it about loss or conflict that so captures our attention?

LOST & DISILLUSIONED

What is significant about being disillusioned?

INFLAMED BY A NEW LOVE How are hearts changed when God's Word makes sense? YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

HUMBLY INTERCEPTED
What if Jesus shows up?

4. Who do you know that is disillusioned and hopeless? Ask the Lord to overcome the deadness of their soul, and to give them a sense of His living, all-powerful Grace in Jesus!5. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you see where you functionally live as if Jesus was neither punished in

1. Worship the LORD for His all-surpassing power! Praise and adore Him, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

In what ways do you underestimate your own brokenness or over-estimate your own wisdom and perspective? Confess your pride and unbelief to Jesus, asking Him to wash you and heal you.
 Give thanks to Jesus for His work to move toward us in our unbelief! Thank Him for graciously revealing His Word to us so that we could know Him and trust Him as our great God and Savior.

that He is mightier than all evil, our sin, death, and hell.

5. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you see where you functionally live as if Jesus was neither punished in your place, nor raised in victory. Ask Him to change your heart and give you His joy because of the resurrection.

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Student Ministry Fundraiser & Info Luncheon

April 7, 12p

Contact Brown Peterson for information.



The Weekender - New Member Class

April 12, 6-8:30p & April 13, 9a-12p Contact <u>Ashley Coleman</u> for information.



Women's Ministry Table Talk

April 18, 7p

Contact <u>JoAnn Johnson</u> for information.

Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

April 1-6, 2024

(3-year plan: read blue passages | 1-year plan: read all)

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Monday	Romans 14 2 Kings 13	Exodus 16 Isaiah 58
Tuesday	Romans 15 2 Kings 14	Exodus 17 Isaiah 59
Wednesday	Romans 15 2 Kings 15	Exodus 18 Isaiah 60
Thursday	1 Corinthians 1 2 Kings 16	Exodus 19 Isaiah 61
Friday	1 Corinthians 2 2 Kings 17	Exodus 20 Isaiah 52
Saturday	Psalm 66	Psalm 14 Psalm 118

Scripture Memory for the Week:

Luke 24:25-27 (ESV)

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Office Hours:

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Mission

A city transformed: Loved by God the Father, saved by Jesus His Son, empowered by His Spirit, called by God to reach our city with His love.