

May 18, 2025—8:30 and 9:45 am Sanctuary

In worship we seek to declare the wonderful works of God and to respond in praise, repentance, prayer, and obedience to the Lord.

Prelude How Great Thou Art arr. Rhett Barnwell

Community Life Update

*Call to Worship Psalm 90:1-4, 12-14

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations...

All: from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

Leader: You return man to dust and say, "Return, O children of man!" All: For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past.

Leader: So teach us to number our days All: that we may get a heart of wisdom.

Leader: Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,

All: that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

*Prayer of Adoration

*Songs of Praise

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, From everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,

O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

"O God, Our Help In Ages Past" Words: Isaac Watts (Psalm 90), Public Domain, 1719; Music: William Croft, Public Domain, 1708

^{*} Please stand if you are able.

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven,

Who else could make every king bow down,

Who else can whisper and darkness trembles? Only a Holy God.

What other beauty demands such praises,

What other splendor outshines the sun,

What other majesty rules with justice? Only a Holy God.

Come and behold Him, the One and the Only.

Cry out, sing holy, forever a Holy God.

Come and worship the Holy God!

What other glory consumes like fire,

What other power can raise the dead,

What other name remains undefeated? Only a Holy God.

Who else could rescue me from my failing,

Who else would offer His only Son,

Who else invites me to call Him Father? Only a Holy God.

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New Member Vows

Sacrament of Baptism

Andrew Pitts (8:30)

baptized by Jacob Virtue, assisted by RE Jerel Warren

Will Woolens (8:30)

baptized by Jacob Virtue, assisted by RE Jerel Warren

Macie Nichols (9:45)

baptized by Tim Pitzer, assisted by RE Jerel Warren

Doxology

Choral Offering

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, There is no shadow of turning with thee; Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; As thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see: All I have needed thy hand hath provided— Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above, Join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Words: Thomas Chisholm (1923): Music FAITHFULNESS, William Runvan (1923), arr. Dan Forrest: © 2019, Beckenhorst Press

*Scripture Reading

Lamentations 3:22-25, 31-32

*Hymn of Worship

K4-K5 may leave for Kids Ministry.

8:30 am—One parent will need to escort the child to volunteers in the Commons Area for Kids Church. 9:45 am—One parent will need to escort the child downstairs to join Kids Sunday School.

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven, to his feet your tribute bring; Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me, his praise should sing? Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor to our fathers in distress; Praise him, still the same forever, slow to chide, and swift to bless. Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows; In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes; Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely as his mercy goes.

Angels, help us to adore him; You behold him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

"Praise My Soul, The King of Heaven" Words: from Psalm 103, Henry F. Lyte, Public Domain, 1834; Music: Mark Andrews, Public Domain, 1930

Prayers of the People

Scripture Reading Nehemiah 1:5-11

Leader: This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God

Sermon Adam Betterton

Confession of Sin

Nehemiah 1:6-7; Psalm 90:8, 13

I and my father's house have sinned. We have acted very corruptly against you and have not kept the commandments, the statutes, and the rules that you commanded your servant Moses.

You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence... Return, O Lord! How long? Have pity on your servants.

Moment of Silent Confession

Words of Grace and Peace

Romans 8:3-4, 11

For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

*Hymn of Response

Amazing grace! —how sweet the sound— That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come; 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun. "Amazing Grace" Words: John Newton, Public Domain, 1779; Music: Trad. American

*Benediction

*Postlude

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