

We Gather in Love

The Introit O Come, Let Us Sing Unto the Lord!

Dale Moore

Please stand for The Call to Worship

O God, open my lips,

and my mouth will declare your praise.

The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;

a humble and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Come, let us worship God!

The Hymn of Praise O Come and Sing Unto the Lord

Hymnal No. 214
(Irish)

The Prayer of the Day

The Gloria Patri

Hymnal No. 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end, Amen.**

You may be seated.

The Prayer of Confession

**Loving God, you declare that those who are openly caring
do not cause others to stumble. Purify us with your Holy Spirit,
so that our selfishness, self-seeking, resentment,
anger, and envy vanish.**

**Strengthen us all to witness to our faith
with a freshness that attracts, a sincerity that convinces,
and an integrity that shows our love of Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.**

Our Silent Confession

The Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Please stand to sing The Response of Praise

Let the Whole Creation Cry

Hymnal No. 256

Sharing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

*Welcome—
We're glad YOU
are worshipping with
us today!*

Thank you for silencing
cell phones and other
electronic devices
before worship!



A Hearing Loop
Is installed
and available.
Switch your hearing aid
to "T-Cell".
Please ask an Usher
if you need assistance.

Congregational spoken
responses appear
in **bold type**.

Hymns and sung
responses will be found in
the **BLUE HYMNAL**
under the seat
in front of you.

*Please join us —
after Worship today
for coffee
and fellowship
in the Gathering Hall,
outside of the Sanctuary.
Whether you are
a long-time member or
a visitor, we'd like to
get to know you!*



To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven.

There is a movement to this universe, a flow, a becoming.

The night sky tonight will not be exactly the same night sky as yesterday.

The interstellar clouds swirl and meander around each other like a river through a canyon—newness around each bend—the river changing, the canyon becoming, new stars forming.

Our lives meander and crash through the stardust and take on glory—becoming new stars, newness around each bend.

There is a movement to this life, a flow, a becoming, and all flesh shall see it together.

~Susan Palo Cherwien

Please remain standing to sing The Doxology
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise God, all creatures here below.
 Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Hymnal No. 592

You may be seated.

Children are excused to attend Children's Chapel at this time.

We Grow by Grace

News of the Church

The Word in Scripture and Song Psalm 103

Pew Bible, page 482

Please join in singing this Taizé chant based on Psalm 103.

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, Who leads me in - to life.

The Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 18: 21-35

Pew Bible, page 800

The Sermon

Extravagant Forgiveness

The Invitation for Giving

The Offertory O Lord, Whose Mercies Numberless

G.F. Handel

O Lord, whose mercies numberless o'er all thy works prevail.
 Though daily humankind thy laws transgress, thy patience cannot fail.
 If yet our sins remain before thee, let they love our lives control.
 Now, Lord, within us repentance see,
 and come to heal each wounded soul.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy 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 thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

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We Go Forth to Serve

The Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (Sidebar)

Please stand to sing jThe Sending Hymn Hymnal No. 223
O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer - verses 1,2,4 and 6 (Stuttgart)

The Benediction

The Choral Response God Be With You Till We Meet Again R.Vaughan Williams

The Organ Postlude Recessional William Mathias

Participants in Worship Today

Preacher: Rev. Dale Chapin

Liturgist: Eugenia Brown

Scripture Reader: Nana Konadu

Music Director: Kathleen Otterson

Organist: John Rafoth

Vocalists: The Chancel Choir

Soloist: Amalia Goldberg, soprano

Greeters and Ushers: Ron Wanek, Barb Premo
Tom Kelly (Lead); Val Bailey-Rihn and David Rihn,
Laurie Stephens Vance, Clinton Otte-Ford

Sound Technician: Bryan Yates

Teller: Cliff and Carol Koehler

Next Sunday, September 24— The Organ Preservice at 8:30 am!

Next week, ahead of the 9:00am Worship service,

Organist John Rafoth plays the "Toccata Festiva" of Richard Purvis;
two Choral Preludes by Johann Sebastian Bach;

George Frideric Handel's Concerto in F Major; and a Postlude by Dietrich
Buxtehude: "Gigue" from the Fugue in C Major.

Come early to enjoy these and other masterworks for the organ!

In the coming week...

**Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord
Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.**

~Colossians 3:17