

*Doxology No. 606

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*Hymn of Commissioning

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

1. I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus; I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus;
 2. Though I may won - der, I still will fol - low; Though I may won - der, I still will fol - low;
 3. The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me; The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me;
 4. Though none go with me, still I will fol - low; Though none go with me, still I will fol - low;
 5. Will you de - cid - e now to fol - low Je - sus? Will you de - cid - e now to fol - low Je - sus?

I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus; No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.
 Though I may won - der, I still will fol - low; No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.
 The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me; No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.
 Though none go with me, still I will fol - low; No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.
 Will you de - cid - e now to fol - low Je - sus? No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.

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***Benediction**

Postlude

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Special Thanks Today:

Lay Leader: Bill Johnson

Usher: Jim Anderson



**We are a community of believers, sharing God's love, in worship
and service, as disciples of Jesus Christ.**

The marks of this life are:

Pray daily;

Worship weekly;

Enjoy spiritual friendships;

Read and study the Scriptures;

Engage in service in and beyond the church;

Share the Good News of the Gospel with others, and

Practice generosity with one's time, talent, and money.

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* Those who are able, please stand. **Bold** is to be read in unison.

Prayer of Preparation

God of grace, You have given us minds to know You, hearts to love You, and voices to sing Your praise. Fill us with Your Spirit, that we may celebrate Your glory and worship You in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Welcoming and Announcements

Everyone is asked to sign the Friendship Folder in the pew rack. **Visitors:** Please completely fill out your name, mailing address, and e-mail address to enable us to extend our Christian hospitality. Please pass the folder to your neighbor, and then return it to the center aisle with the cover open so that you may learn the names of the other worshipers. **For sight impaired worshipers:** Large Print Hymnals are available from the ushers. **For hearing impaired worshipers:** We recommend downloading the Listen Everywhere app.

*Greeting One Another in Love

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

Prelude

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
Whitney Duncan – viola, Victor Holton - piano

arr Gary Lanier

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: In Your wisdom, O God, You call us here to worship You.

People: We gather, alive to the Word of God.

Leader: You call us to be fully alive with Your life abundant, ready to listen and respond with heart, soul, strength, and mind.

People: We listen, alive to the Word of God.

Leader: You call us to be always watchful for Your Word of wisdom, sometimes startling and unexpected, sometimes still and quiet, but always dwelling among us.

People: We watch and wait for the Word of God.

*Hymn of Praise

All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name

No. 263

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved You with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done Your will, we have broken Your law, we have rebelled against Your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Assurance of God’s Grace

Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Amen.

WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson

Proverbs 22:2

Pew Bible page 464

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Second Scripture Lesson

2 Corinthians 9:7

Pew Bible page 820

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

People Need the Lord
Chancel Choir

arr. Mary McDonald

Sermon

A Walk Through the Bible on Giving

The Rev. Dr. Weekley

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*Hymn of the Day

O Jesus, I Have Promised

No. 724

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayer of Intercession and the Lord’s Prayer

Matt Clofine

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.

The Offering

Offertory

Amazing Grace

arr. Joseph Martin