

***Prayer of Dedication**

Compassionate God, we offer You these gifts as signs of our time and labor. Receive the offering of our lives and fill us with Your grace, that we might continue the ministry of Christ in the world. Amen.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

***Hymn of Commissioning**

I Love to Tell the Story

No. 462

***Benediction**

Postlude

Majesty

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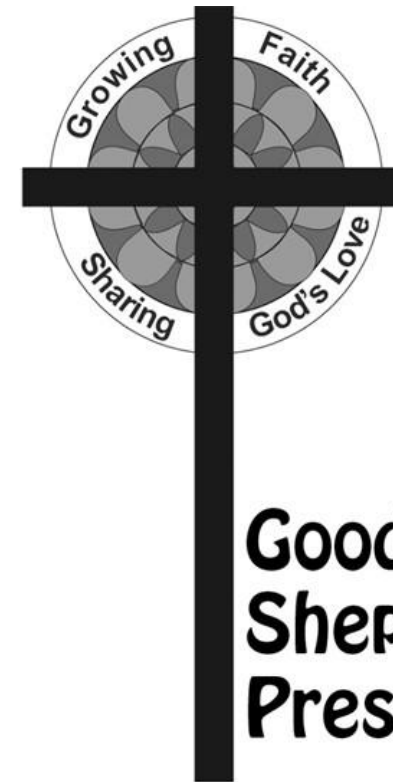
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Pray daily;

Worship weekly;

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Read and study the Scriptures;

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Share the Good News of the Gospel with others, and

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April 12, 2026

Sunday Order of Worship
11:00 am

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Worship Service

11:00 am

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

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, we pray for Your blessing on the church in this place. Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened. Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged. Here may the tempted find help, and the sorrowful find comfort. Here may the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed. Here may the aged find consolation and the young be inspired; 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.

Minute for Mission

ARC Blood Drive

Tina Wright

***Greeting One Another in Love**

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

Prelude

Victory in Jesus

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: We gather as people on a journey.

People: We believe and we have doubts, we do good and we sin.

Leader: We are imperfect humans, yet still beloved by God.

People: We worship a God of love and grace.

Leader: We yearn for a new way, a new perspective, and a clear path.

People: Though we are full of trust and full of doubt, we are here.

Leader: Let us worship together!

(Adapted from liturgy by Tim Graves)

***Hymn of Praise**

Crown Him with Many Crowns

No. 268

Prayer of Confession (Unison)) - written by Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell

Creator God, we confess that at times we are skeptics. At times we doubt that You exist because of the evil we have seen in the world. Oppression, marginalization, and plain hate still plague our world, and it is hard to see Your love and light. Sometimes, even those who bear Your name do not walk in Your ways. Help us to see Your goodness in this world. Help us to know Your love. Fill us with Your love and goodness, so that we might love one another, and lift up one another in faith. Amen.

***Assurance of God's Grace (Responsive)**

Leader: People of God, be assured that in Christ you are forgiven. Joined with Christ in His death and resurrection, pattern your life after His, showing radical love to all people.

All: Thanks be to God.

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Lesson

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 145:13-21

Pew Bible page 447

Second Scripture Lesson

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

John 20:19-31

Pew Bible page 769

Anthem

The Holy City
The Chancel Choir

Sermon

Rebranding Thomas

Rev. Shelby Andrews-Baxter

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of the Day**

Take My Life

No. 697

***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

Karen Pirkle

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

I Know My Redeemer Lives

***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.