

*Prayer of Dedication

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*Hymn of Commissioning

Revive Us Again

1. We praise Thee, O God, for the Son of Thy
2. We praise Thee, O God, for Thy Spir - it of
3. All glo - ry and praise to the Lamb that was
4. Re - vive us a - gain— fill each heart with Thy

love, For Je - sus who died and is now gone a -
light, Who has shown us our Sav - ior and scat - tered our
slain, Who has borne all our sins and has cleansed ev - 'ry
love; May each soul be re - kin-dled with fire from a -

bove.
night. Hal-le-lu-jah, Thine the glo-ry! Hal-le-lu-jah, A -
stain.
bove.

men! Hal-le-lu-jah, Thine the glo-ry! Re-vive us a - gain.

*Benediction

Postlude

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Special Thanks Today:

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Lay Leader: John Pettay



August 23, 2026

Sunday Order of Worship
11:00 am

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

Healing Lord, by Your goodness You healed many who were ill, even raising the dead to life. Restore us to new life, healing our hearts, minds, and spirits, so that we may proclaim praise and gratitude for Your compassion to all who will hear. In the name of the One who is Himself new life, Jesus Christ our savior. 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

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: Let us worship God.

People: “He is our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust.”

Leader: Let us confess with our mouths, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in our hearts that God raised Him from the dead.

People: “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Leader: Let us call upon our true God, believing Him in our hearts, confessing Him with our mouths, worshipping Him in spirit and in truth.

*Hymn of Praise

Make a Joyful Noise to God

No. 54

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy and merciful God, in Your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in Your light, and walk in Your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

*Assurance of God’s Grace (Responsive)

Leader: 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.

People: Amen.

WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Lesson

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Exodus 1:8 - 2:10

Pew Bible pages 40-41

Second Scripture Lesson

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Matthew 16:13-20

Pew Bible page 694

Anthem

Sermon

The Church in All Ages

Elijah Brawner

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*Hymn of the Day

I Love to Tell the Story

No. 462

*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

Mike Thorpe

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

*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.