

Proclaiming Christ | Delighting in His Grace | Sharing in His Mission

WELCOME

PRELUDE

“Prelude sur l’Introit de l’Epiphanie”
James Steele, alto saxophone

Maurice Durufle
trans. G. Bricault

*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

“Hallelujah! Praise Jehovah!”
Hallelujah! Praise Jehovah!
O my soul, Jehovah praise!
I will sing the glorious praises
Of my God through all my days.
He has made the earth and heaven
Seas, and all that they contain;
He will keep his truth forever,
Right of those oppressed maintain.
Psalm 146:1-2, 6-7

Beecher

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”
From all that dwell below the skies,
Let the Creator’s praise arise;
O praise him: alleluia!
Let the Redeemer’s name be sung,
Through every land by every tongue.
O praise him, O praise him: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Eternal are thy mercies, Lord;
Eternal truth attends thy word.
O praise him: alleluia!
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,
Till suns shall rise and set no more.
O praise him, O praise him: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
In every land begin the song;
To every land the strains belong;
O praise him: alleluia!
In cheerful sounds all voices raise,
And fill the world with loudest praise.
O praise him, O praise him: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Lasst uns erfreuen

SHARING OF FAMILY NEWS

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

8:00 *Rev. Ron Meyer*

9:30 *Rev. Thomas Myrick*

11:00 *Rev. Corey Gray*

NEW TESTAMENT READING

8:00 *Joshua Heiser*

Hebrews 4:1–13

9:30 *Bill Bronson*

pages 1002–1003, pew Bible

11:00 *Monica Geir*

*HYMN NO. 88

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Crusaders’ Hymn

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

8:00 *Steve Liston*

9:30 *Chris Thatch*

11:00 *Doug Nyhus*

OFFERTORY

“Morning Has Broken”

Sanctuary Choir; Eric Sabatino, harp

traditional Gaelic hymn tune

arr. Mack Wilberg

Morning has broken like the first morning,
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing, praise for the morning,
Praise for them springing fresh from the Word.

Sweet the rains new fall, sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dew fall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden
Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning.
Born of the one light, Eden saw play.
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God’s re-creation of the new day.

Eleanor Farjeon

*11:00 HYMN NO. 624

“Doxology”

Old Hundredth

Children K–3rd grade may come forward during the Doxology. If you are new to our church, please accompany your child.

11:00 PRAYER FOR CHILDREN & DISMISSAL

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 1:1–2:3

pages 1–2, pew Bible

SERMON

“Creation to Consummation”
1st in a series on the book of Genesis

Dr. Todd M. Smedley

*HYMN NO. 4

“How Great Thou Art”

How Great Thou Art

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*DECLARATION 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 Spirit, 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 at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature, our shortcomings, and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your way, in wasting your gifts, and in forgetting your love. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, who are ashamed and sorry for all that displeases you. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Jesus Christ, your own dear Son. Speak afresh to us the gospel of your grace, and remind us that if we confess our sins, you are faithful and just to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In your Son is our salvation, in your promises our hope. Take us for your children and give us the Spirit of your Son, and in the end receive us into your glory, through Jesus Christ our only Savior. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION AND 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*COMMUNION RESPONSE

“Communion Hymn”

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And so with thankfulness and faith we rise,
To respond, and to remember.
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ,
As his body here on earth.
As we share in his suffering,
We proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Highland Cathedral”

Michael Korb

**Congregation standing, if able*

Please alert your usher ahead of time if you need a gluten-free communion wafer.

An Elder and Women's Ministry representative are available for prayer or ministry at the front of the Sanctuary at the conclusion of each service.

Roses on the organ celebrate births and adoptions within our family of faith.

Vera was adopted by Diane and Christopher Bruce on September 12th.

Thomas was born October 29 to Katherine and Robert Messenger.

Sarah was adopted by Jill Lindstrom on October 26th.

We pray God will strengthen and guide each of these families.

The morning worship service is broadcast each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. locally on WAVA 105.1 FM and streaming at wava.com.

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THIS EVENING'S SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

"The Incomparable Christ"

Colossians 1:1-2

Dr. Robert Norris

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

MORNING SERVICE

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

"Paradise Gained"

Genesis 2:4-25

Dr. Todd M. Smedley

EVENING SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

"We Thank God"

Colossians 1:3-8

Rev. Thomas Myrick

*Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
will be celebrated.*