



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

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When the musical prelude begins, the congregation is invited to spend time preparing their hearts for corporate worship.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 40:9-14, 28-29

**Leader:** Go up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!"

**People:** Behold, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

**Leader:** Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? Who has measured the Spirit of the LORD, or what man shows him his counsel? Whom did he consult, and who made him to understand? Who taught him the path of justice, and taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding?

**People:** Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint and to him who has no might he increases strength.

## HYMN OF ADORATION

## A Mighty Fortress is Our God

1. A mighty fortress is our God,  
A bulwark never failing;  
Our Helper He amid the flood  
Of mortal ills prevailing;  
For still our ancient Foe  
Doth seek to work us woe;  
His craft and pow'r are great,  
And armed with cruel hate,  
On earth is not his equal.

2. Did we in our own strength confide,  
Our striving would be losing;  
Were not the right Man on our side,  
The Man of God's own choosing;  
Dost ask who that may be:  
Christ Jesus it is He;  
Lord Sabaoth His name,  
from age to age the same,  
And He must win the battle.

3. And though this world with devils filled,  
Should threaten to undo us  
We will not fear for God hath willed,  
His truth to triumph through us  
The prince of darkness grim,  
We tremble not for him  
His rage we can endure,  
For lo his doom is sure  
One little word shall fell him.

4. That word above all earthly pow'rs,  
No thanks to them abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours  
through Him who with us sideth;  
Let goods and kindred go,  
This mortal life also;  
The body they may kill;  
God's truth abideth still,  
His kingdom is forever!  
His kingdom is forever!  
His kingdom is forever!

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## **PRAYER OF ADORATION & 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.

## **COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

1. On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,  
And cast a wishful eye  
To Canaan's fair and happy land,  
Where my possessions lie.
2. All o'er those wide extended plains  
Shines one eternal day.  
There God, the Son forever reigns,  
And scatters night away.

#### **Chorus**

I am bound (I am bound)  
I am bound (I am bound)  
I am bound for the promised land,  
I am bound (I am bound)  
I am bound (I am bound)  
I am bound for the promised land.

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### **On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand**

3. No chilling winds nor poisonous breath  
Can reach that healthful shore.  
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death  
Are felt and feared no more.  
Chorus

4. When shall I reach that happy place  
And be forever blest,  
When shall I see my Father's face  
And in His bosom rest?

#### **Chorus 2**

We are bound (We are bound)  
We are bound (We are bound)  
We are bound for the promised land,  
We are bound (We are bound)  
We are bound (We are bound)  
We are bound for the promised land.

## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the 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 arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living 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.

## **Apostles' Creed**

## **PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**

## **CONGREGATIONAL READING**

## **Hebrews 1:1-2**

## **SERMON**

## **“God’s Final Word...Our Sure Anchor”**

**- Rev. Keith Peck**

### **Hebrews 1:1-4**

**<sup>1</sup> Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. <sup>3</sup> He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup> having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.**

### **SERMON NOTES**

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Dear Father, we have often paid lip service to your name, and yet in our hearts we serve ourselves, our desires, and our idols. You have sent your Son Jesus to bring us back to you, and we are blind to his great power and divine love. We doubt his miraculous work and in our hearts demand “another sign” to satisfy our doubts. Lord, help our unbelief; incline our hearts to praise you, put to death our sin, and make us alive in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**Romans 8:1**

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

## THE LORD’S SUPPER

**Come Let Us Return to the Lord**

1. All we have like sheep gone astray  
Each of us has turned our own way.  
But God laid all our wrongs,  
Our sins upon the Sinless One,  
His only Son.

### Chorus 1

Come, let us return to the Lord.  
Come now, all His mercies remember.  
How wide His love that waits to welcome us!  
Oh, come, let us return to the Lord.

2. All who feel the sting of your sin,  
Come and lift your eyes once again.  
How great a price was paid  
To save the souls of us who stray,  
Yet still we stray.  
Chorus 1

3. God, we need Your merciful hand.  
Heal us from our pride, heal our land.  
As we turn from our ways,  
Oh, turn our hearts to You in praise,  
In endless praise.  
Chorus 1

### Chorus 2

Come, let us return to the Lord.  
Come now, all His mercies remember.  
How wide His love that waits to welcome us!  
Oh, come, let us return,  
Oh, come, let us return to the Lord.

## Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

1. What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer,  
There is no more for heaven now to give;  
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,  
My steadfast love,  
my deep and boundless peace.  
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus,  
For my life is wholly bound to his.  
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing all is mine!  
Yet, not I, but through Christ in me.

2. The night is dark but I am not forsaken,  
For by my side, the Savior he will stay;  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,  
For in my need his power is displayed.  
To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me,  
Through the deepest valley he will lead.  
Oh, the night has been won  
and I shall overcome!  
Yet, not I, but through Christ in me.

3. No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven;  
The future sure, the price- it has been paid;  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And he was raised to overthrow the grave!  
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated;  
Jesus now and ever is my plea.  
Oh, the chains are released, I can sing I am free!  
Yet, not I, but through Christ in me.

4. With every breath I long to follow Jesus,  
For he has said that he will bring me home;  
And day by day I know he will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne.  
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus,  
All the glory evermore to him!  
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat:  
"Yet, not I, but through Christ in me."

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"Yet, not I, but through Christ in me,  
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## All Sufficient Merit

1. All sufficient merit shining like the sun.  
A fortune I inherit by no work I have done.  
My righteousness I forfeit at my Savior's cross  
Where all sufficient merit did what I could not.
2. In love He condescended eternal now in time.  
A life without a blemish the Maker made to die.  
The law could never save us our lawlessness had won  
Until the pure and spotless Lamb had finally come.

### Chorus

It is done, it is finished,  
No more debt I owe.  
Paid in full all sufficient,  
Merit now my own.

3. I lay down my garments any empty boast.  
Good works now all corrupted by the sinful host.  
I'm dressed in my Lord Jesus, a crimson robe made white.  
No more fear of judgment His righteousness is mine.  
Chorus

4. All sufficient merit firm in life and death.  
The joy of my salvation shall be my final breath.  
When I stand accepted before the throne of God,  
I'll gaze upon my Jesus and thank Him for the cross.  
Chorus x2

Your merit now my own  
Your merit now my own

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## DOXOLOGY

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.

## BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL

Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and  
Savior, Jesus Christ.

**People: THANKS BE TO GOD!**