



ORDER OF WORSHIP
September 11, 2022
10:30 a.m. Service

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn of Praise – “O God Our Help In Ages Past”, v. 1,2,3,4,6 (UMH #117)

Call to Worship:

Pastor: Come and sing to the Lord;

People: **Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.**

Pastor: Come into God’s presence with thanksgiving,

People: **Let us kneel before the Lord, our maker.**

Pastor: For God alone is our help and our shield,

People: **We place our trust in God’s holy name.**

Act of Praise – “Glory be to the Father” (UMH #70)

Glory Be to the Father

and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost

As it was in the beginning,

is now, and ever shall be,

world without end. Amen. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith – “The Apostles’ Creed” (UMH #881)

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;

The third day he rose 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.

Scripture Lesson – Psalm 95:1-7

Prayer of Confession

**Sovereign God, we come today thankful for your goodness and grace, and for the opportunity to express our praise to you in worship this morning. Lord, as we seek your voice and listen for your wisdom, we are reminded how your ways are much different than the wisdom we see each day. Forgive us for the times we pursue the ways of the world while neglecting your ways of sacrifice and peace. Let your understanding flow through our lives like a stream of living water, so that we may bear the good fruits of mercy and compassion. Teach us that our true dignity is found in trusting you and serving others, to the glory of Christ, our Lord.
In Jesus' name. Amen.**

Prayer of Intercession

Extending the Peace of Christ

Choir – “I've Been Changed

Offering

Doxology – “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow” (UMH #94)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Hymn – “I Need Thee Every Hour” v. 1,3,4 (UMH#397)

Sermon – Trust and Integrity for Tough Times
Text: Esther 2, selected verses

Hymn – “My Hope Is Built” (UMH#368)

Benediction

Congregational Response – “Lord, Prepare Me To Be A Sanctuary” (The Faith We Sing #2164)

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
pure and holy, tried, and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for you.

Postlude

Dismissal

Brian Barber, Organist
Roy Nelson, Director of Music Ministries

Rev. Brad Leight
Ruth Portzline, CLM