

# *Lord's Day Service of Divine Worship*

*Sunday, April 6th 2025*

*11:00am*

## *God Calls Us Into His Holy Presence*

**The Prayer of Preparation** *(for individual use before worship)*

*O God our Father, pour out Your Spirit and raise our hearts to worship You gladly and bring You the sacrifice of our praise, through Jesus Christ, Your Son. Amen.*

**The Chiming of the Hour, the Words of Welcome, and Passing of the Peace**

*The peace of our Lord be with you!*

*And also with you!*

**The Trinity Chime, the Prelude, and Choral Introit**

**\*The Call to Worship** *from Psalm 44:8*

People of God, lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord!**

In You, O God, we make our boast all day long

**And we praise Your name forever!**

**\*The Opening Hymn** #2 *"Come, Thou Almighty King"*

## *God Convicts, Assures, and Restores Us*

**The Confession of Our Sins**

**Almighty God, before You we cannot hide the truth that we have sinned and we are sinners. We have ignored Your commands, and have refused to walk in Your ways. We have done what we know is wrong, and have failed to do what we know is right. In Your mercy, forgive our sins and take away our shame. Turn us from our waywardness, and lead us by Your Spirit into the way of faithfulness, through Jesus Christ our Lord...***(continue in silent confession)*

**The Gospel Promise of God's Forgiveness** *from 1 Timothy 1:15*

"The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners - and I am the chief one." This is God's promise to all who repent and truly believe: in Jesus Christ, you are forgiven, and you are made new! **Alleluia!**

**Thanks be to God!**

**\*The Sung Response** *The Gloria Patri (located on pew card)*

**\*The Affirmation of Faith** *The Apostles Creed (located on pew card)*

**The Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes**

**\*The Sung Response of Gratitude and Praise** *The Doxology (located on Pew Card)*

**\*The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

## *God Speaks and Seals His Promises in Word and Sacrament*

**The Scripture Lesson** *Matthew 13:44-52*

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**The Sermon** *"Matthew (56): The King's Storybook: Treasure, Pearls and Nets of Fish"*

**\*The Hymn of Response** #450 *"Be Thou My Vision"*

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion** *Table Song #509 "All Who Hunger..."*

## *God Sends Us Forth to Live in Christ*

**\*The Closing Hymn** #65 *"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"*

**\*The Benediction**

**\*The Congregational Benediction** #748 *"Go with Us, Lord"*

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and ev-ery com-ing day, that in Your Spir-it strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.**