Lord's Day Service of Divine Worship Sunday, November 23rd 2025 11:00am

God Calls Us Into His Holy Presence

The Prayer of Preparation (for individual use before worship)

Almighty God, pour out Your Holy Spirit and give us hearts to adore You and tongues to sing of Your great faithfulness and wondrous deeds, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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, Prelude and Choral Introit

*The Call to Worship and Prayer of Invocation from Psalm 147:1,7

People of God, lift up your hearts!

We lift them to the Lord!

We praise You, Lord, with thankful hearts! How good it is to sing praises to You, our God!

We sing to You, Lord, with grateful praise!

*The Opening Hymn #612 "We Praise You, O God"

God Convicts, Assures, and Restores Us

The Confession of Our Sins

O Holy God, before You we confess that we are sinners and we have sinned. We have failed to do what is right, and have chosen to do what is wrong. We have ignored Your commands, and have forsaken Your ways. We have not loved You with all our heart or our neighbor as ourselves. In Your mercy, Lord, forgive us. Create in us a clean heart, turn us from all that is unfaithful and

unpleasing to You, and make us walk uprightly in the way of Jesus Christ, our Lord....(continue in silent confession)

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

"This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners - of which I am the greatest one." This is the gospel! In Christ, we are forgiven! In Christ, we are made new! Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

*The Sung Response The Gloria Patri

*The Affirmation of our Christian Faith The Apostles Creed (back of hymnal)

The Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes

*The Sung Response of Gratitude and Praise The Doxology

*The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

God Speaks and Seals His Promises in His Word

The Scripture Lesson Matthew 20:1-16

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The Sermon "Matthew (82): Grateful Servants of the King of Grace"

*The Hymn of Response #652 "A Grateful Heart is What I Bring"

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

God Sends Us Forth to Live in Christ

*The Closing Hymn #645 "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

*The Benediction

*The Congregational Benediction #643 "Now Thank We All Our God" (v. 3)
All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in high-est heav-en, to Father and to
Son and Spir-it now be giv-en: the one e-ter-nal God, whom heaven and earth
a-dore, the God who was, and is, and shall be ev-er-more.