

ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

WELCOME

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PRELUDE

Lead On, O King Eternal

Covenant Ringers,
Music by Judy Phillips

† PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

As God has poured out the grace of forgiveness and love and peace through Christ, let us also share that grace with those we meet today. Let us greet one another as a sign of God's peace.

L: The peace of Christ is here among us.

P: Thanks be to God.

† CALL TO WORSHIP

† Indicates the congregation should stand.

L: Here, in this place, all are welcome: the dreamers, as well as the doubters.

P: Here, in this place, all are welcome: the hesitant and the daring.

L: Here, in this place, all are welcome: the worriers and wanderers.

P: Here, in this place, all are welcome, welcome to dream, to doubt, to seek comfort, to risk the unknown, to question or to sit in quiet awe.

L: Here, in this place, all are welcome to come together in worship.

† PROCESSIONAL HYMN 66

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

† PRAYER

There are times, Divine One, when we all feel like our lives have been turned upside down. We struggle to understand why. There are times when life takes unexpected turns and all our carefully laid plans and dreams come to nothing. We struggle to know where to turn next. There are times when we feel betrayed and alone. We struggle to hold on to hope. Grant us patience to wait. Open our eyes to recognize Your leading in our lives—to listen for Your gentle whisper when we least expect it. Give us the courage to step out in faith, trusting in Your leading even when we cannot yet see the outcome. Amen.

ANTHEM

An Invitation to Praise

Covenant Choir
Music by Stan Pethel

Every tree, every mountain, every wave on the sea; Every star, every stream, and fountain magnifies God's majesty. Every voice, every singer, every servant of the Lord, every bell, every ringer, calls us to sing and adore. Every child, every nation, every person on earth; everyone come in adoration and sing of God's wonderful worth! Each glowing sunrise, an invitation to praise. Come sing "Hallelujah!" in praise to God's wonder and grace!

LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

As we turn our minds toward today's message, let us pray that our hearts are open to what God has to share with us. Let us pray:

Heavenly Father, as we hear the story of Joseph, open our eyes to see the deeper meaning of his dreams and the way You used his trials for a greater good. Illuminate our understanding of Your sovereignty, so we may trust in Your plan even when we face challenges and misunderstandings. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

SERMON

Here Comes the Dreamer

Pastor Meshach Kanyion

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

LITANY FOR SURRENDER

As we seek to grow more confident in God's plan for us, let us pray responsively for God's strength.

L: From anxiety about the future, from excessive preoccupation, and from the desire of complete control...

P: Deliver us, Jesus.

L: From depending on ourselves more than we depend on You, from restlessness rooted in the unpredictable, and from the belief that we have to have it all figured out...

P: Deliver us, Jesus.

L: From dissatisfaction in our current states of life, from irritation when things happen unexpectedly, and from distrust in Your inexhaustible love...

P: Deliver us, Jesus.

L: For trust in Your plan for our lives, that we may find peace in knowing You are sovereign, and for discernment and further union with Your intentions...

P: Lord, everything is Yours do with it what You will.

L: That we may cling to joy as we face the unknown, and that we may truly believe that Your love and mercy will fulfill us...

P: Lord, everything is Yours do with it what You will. Amen.

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.

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

OFFERTORY

The Lord Fulfill All Thy Petitions

Music by Lester Groom

† DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Divine One, for all that we have, for all that we are, for all the wonder and love that surrounds us each day, we offer our thanks. We ask Your blessing on the gifts we have been given and upon the gifts we offer in return. Amen.

GO FORTH WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† RECESSIONAL HYMN 670

Go Forth for God

GENEVA

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

Declare His Works With Rejoicing

Music by Lester Groom

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Scripture readings are New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) unless otherwise noted.

IN WORSHIP TODAY

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given by Connie Johnson in memory of Richard H. Johnson and Susan Fuller Stipp.

Rosebuds are placed on the altar to celebrate the birth of Elijah Evans Lewis, born on December 11, 2024, and Wesley John Woodson, born on December 22, 2024. Grandparents are Dave and Mary Lou Evans.

A rosebud is placed on the altar to celebrate the birth of Lily Kate Nesbitt-Prosser, born on January 8, 2025. Grandparents are Scott and Bonnie Nesbitt.

A rosebud is placed on the altar to celebrate the birth of Emilia Rose Mitchell, born on January 4, 2025. Parents are Johnathon and Meagan Mitchell. Grandparents are Kelly and Tim Cooper, and Wim and Giselle Schipper. Great-Grandmother is Joyce Foy.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Meshach Kanyion, *Senior Pastor*
Mary Stapleton, *Acolyte*
Barb Wenner, *Lay Reader*
Joe Galyon, *Director of Worship and Arts*
David Anderson, *Director of Children's Music*
Musicians, *Covenant Choir, Covenant Choir, Andrea Bell and Juli Schultz (handbells)*
Peyton Voline, *Worship Technology Coordinator*
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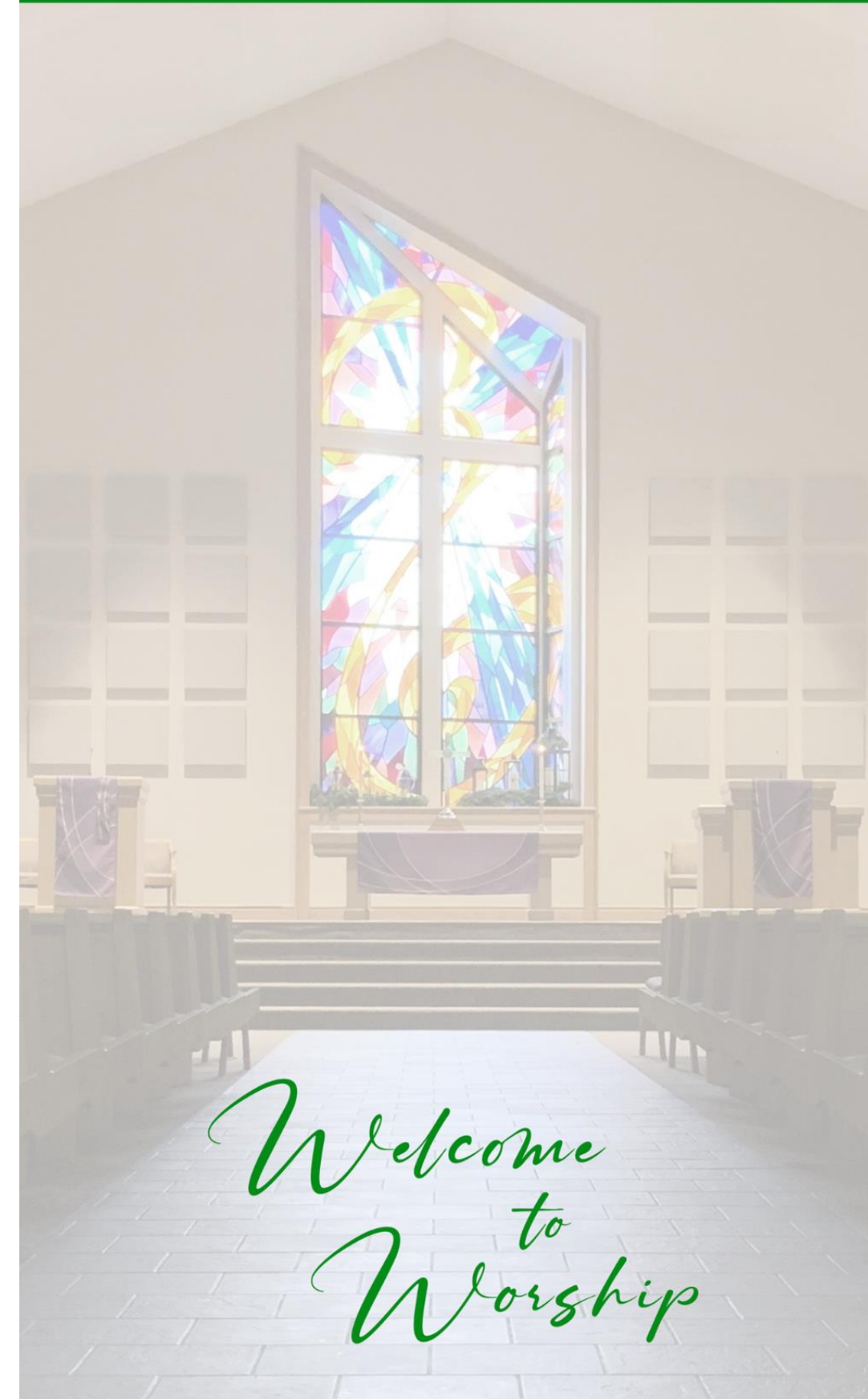


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to
Worship

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