

Proclaiming Christ | Delighting in His Grace | Sharing in His Mission

WELCOME

PRELUDE

*Chiara Dieguez, viola*

\*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

“In You, Lord, I Take Refuge

Munich

In you, Lord, I take refuge; ashamed let me not be,  
 Your righteousness eternal express by saving me;  
 Incline your ear to hear me; with speed deliver me.  
 To me O be a strong rock, a fort to rescue me.

*Psalms 31:1-2*

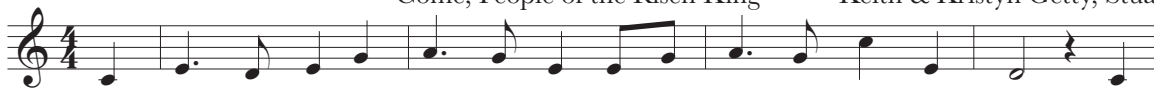
\*CALL TO WORSHIP

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

\*HYMN

“Come, People of the Risen King”

Keith & Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend



1. Come, peo - ple of the ris - en King, who de - light to bring him praise; Come  
 2. Come, those whose joy is morn - ing sun, and those weep - ing through the night; Come,  
 3. Come, young and old from ev - ery land, men and wo - men of the faith; Come,



all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morn - ing Star of grace. From the  
 those who tell of bat - tles won, and those strug - gling in the fight. For his  
 those with full or emp - ty hands; find the rich - es of his grace. O - ver



shift - ing sha - dows of the earth we will lift our eyes to him, where  
 per - fect love will nev - er change, and his mer - cies nev - er cease, but  
 all the world, his peo - ple sing; shore to shore we hear them call the



stead - y arms of mer - cy reach to — gath - er child - ren in. Re - joice, Re - joice! Let  
 fol - low us through all our days with the cer - tain hope of peace.  
 truth that cries through ev - ery age: “Our — God is all in all”!



ev - ery tongue re - joice! One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, re - joice!

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SENIOR PASTOR Dr. Todd M. Smedley

PASTORS Rev. Corey Gray | Rev. Ron Meyer | Rev. Thomas Myrick | Dr. Robert Norris

\*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

\*CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy Father, forgive us, for the dominant impulse of our hearts has been disobedience. Fruitless contemplations have occupied our thinking from our youth. We have been regularly reprov'd, yet we have stiffen'd our neck and stubbornly follow'd the way of our own heart. O Lord, forgive us for our waywardness and willfulness. We fly repentantly to the cross of Jesus Christ, trusting again in his cleansing blood and resting in his perfect righteousness so freely offer'd to us in the gospel. Enable us to grasp such grace with believing hearts and to respond with grateful praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*HYMN

“In Christ Alone”

Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from his hand;  
Till he returns, or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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SHARING OF FAMILY NEWS

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

8:00 *Rev. Ron Meyer*

9:30 *Mr. David Frerichs*

11:00 *Dr. Robert Norris*

ANTHEM

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

arr. Mack Wilberg  
and Douglas Mears

*Alexandra Razskazoff, soprano; Michael Butler, tenor;*

*Sanctuary Choir; Chiara Dieguez, viola; Mark Latimer, timpani*

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;  
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

***The congregation is invited to stand and sing:***

O to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that goodness like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

*Robert Robinson (1735-1790)*

NEW TESTAMENT READING

8:00 *Jack Stanton*

Luke 15:11–24

9:30 *Amanda Harris*

pages 874–875, pew Bible

11:00 *Rachel Greszler*

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

8:00 *Skip Gnehm*

9:30 *John Sillin*

11:00 *Greg Glenn*

OFFERTORY

“I Believe I’ll Go Back Home”

traditional spirituals

“Lord, Won’t You Help Me”

arr. Charles Lloyd Jr.

*Alexandra Razskazoff, soprano; Valerie Simonsen, soprano;*

and Douglas Mears

*Chiara Dieguez, viola; Fred Markey, organ*

I believe I’ll go back home and acknowledge there that I’ve done wrong.  
When I was in my Father’s house I was well supplied.  
I made a mistake in doing well. Now I’m dissatisfied.

Lord, won’t you help me in my trials?

I believe I’ll go back home and acknowledge there that I’ve done wrong.  
When I was in my Father’s house I had bread enough to spare.  
But now I’m sick and hungry too. I’m ashamed to go back there.

Lord, won’t you help me in my shame?

Lord, won’t you help me in my sin?

Lord, won’t you help me in your grace.

\*11:00 HYMN NO. 624

“Doxology”

Old Hundredth

11:00 PRAYER FOR CHILDREN & DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

*Children K–3rd grade may come forward. If your child is not wearing a registration name tag, please accompany your child.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 33:1–20

pages 27–28, pew Bible

SERMON

“Reconciliation”

Dr. Todd M. Smedley

*33rd in a series on the book of Genesis*

\*HYMN NO. 202

“Amazing Grace”

Amazing Grace

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

\*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

\*CONFESSION OF FAITH—THE APOSTLES’ CREED

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; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION AND 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.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*COMMUNION RESPONSE

“Communion Hymn”

Keith & Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond, and to remember  
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ as his body here on earth.  
As we share in his suffering we proclaim Christ will come again!  
And we’ll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.

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\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Finale Jubilante”

Healey Willan

*\*Congregation standing as able*

If you are gluten-sensitive, you can ask an usher for a gluten-free wafer before the service or during one of the hymns.

Roses on the organ celebrate births and adoptions within our family of faith.  
We pray God will strengthen and guide these families.

*Sanctuary flowers are a ministry of the Flower Committee.*

An Elder and Women’s Ministry representative are available for prayer at the front of the Sanctuary after each service.

Deacons provide assistance and prayer support to those in our congregation facing difficult circumstances.  
Contact an individual deacon directly or call the deacons phone line at 301-320-3600, x223.

The morning worship service can be heard Sundays at 11:00 a.m. on WAVA 105.1 FM or streamed at wava.com.

Hearing enhancement units are available in the Media Center or ask an usher for assistance.

### TONIGHT’S EVENING SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

“Theotokos”

Mark 3:31–35

Rev. Thomas Myrick

### NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

#### MORNING SERVICE

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

“Deadly Defiling”

Genesis 34:1–31

Dr. Todd M. Smedley

#### EVENING SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

“Jesus, Why Do You Teach in Parables”

Mark 4:1–20

Rev. Thomas Myrick

*Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper  
will be celebrated.*

### STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

General Giving

Annual Budget           \$ 4,864,876

Year-to-Date Received   \$ 2,688,474

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