



ST. JOHN'S
UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH

Richmond † Texas

ORDER OF WORSHIP
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 27, 2025
8:30 & 11:00AM

INSTRUCTIONS FOR LIVE WORSHIP

You are invited to use this bulletin during our live worship service at 11:00am on Sunday morning. To access our live worship, please [click here](#).

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God, when we call on you, you answer. You encourage us with strength in our souls!

All: We come to receive Christ Jesus as Lord and desire to walk in his holy ways.

Leader: Let us worship God, who is the ruler of all, savior of all, and conqueror over evil and death.

All: God, help us to give you thanks with our whole heart!

SONG OF PRAISE

"O Worship the King" #73

O worship the King, all glorious above,
And gratefully sing God's power and God's love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,
Whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, Thy power hath founded of old;
Hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

GLORIA PATRI

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.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalms 85:1-4;8-13

¹Lord, you were favourable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob. ²You forgave the iniquity of your people; you pardoned all their sin. *Selah* ³You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger. ⁴Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation towards us.

⁸Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts. ⁹Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. ¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

¹¹Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky. ¹²The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. ¹³Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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
have trespassed 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.

SONG OF REFLECTION

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" #402

Lord, I want to be a Christian
in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be a Christian In my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more loving
in my heart, in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

Lord, I want to be like Jesus, in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

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PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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SHARING OUR GIFTS

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.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 11:5-13

⁵And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a
friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him,
'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, ⁶for a friend of
mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before
him.' ⁷And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me;
the door has already been locked, and my children are
with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.'
⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him
anything because of his persistence he will get up and
give him whatever he needs.

⁹"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you;
search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be
opened for you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives,
and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone
who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone
among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a
snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asked for an
egg, will you give a scorpion? ¹³If you, then, who are
evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how
much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy
Spirit to those who ask him!"

SERMON

Rev. Eddie
Allsup

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

SONG OF INVITATION

"Seek Ye First" #405

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His
righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you
Allelu, alleluia

Ask and it shall be given unto you;
Seek and ye shall find;
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you
Allelu, alleluia

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SENDING FORTH

CHORAL RESPONSE

"Victory in Jesus"

O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever!

He sought me and bought me with His redeeming
blood;

He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due
Him

He plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood

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GOING FORTH

Blessed by God's love and strengthened by God's
Grace, let us be the church to the people we are with.
Amen.

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Nanci & John Bunk, and brothers, Charles and Craig.*

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