

ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 17, 2026

*Indicates those able may stand

When the prelude begins, please quiet your hearts in preparation for worship

Prelude

“Wir danken dir, Herr Jesu Christ” (BWV 623) J.S. Bach
(We thank thee, Lord Jesus Christ)

“Heut singt die liebe Christenheit” E. Pepping
(Today, the Church with joy is singing)

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Drew DiNardo

Preparation for Worship

Dr. Stuart Sacks

*Call to Worship *(Adapted from 2 Samuel 22)*

One: For who is God besides the LORD? And who is the Rock except our God?

All: The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be my God, the Rock, my Savior!

One: Therefore I will praise you, LORD, among the nations; I will sing the praises of your name.

Invocation

*Hymn 181 “We Come, O Christ to You”

1 We come, O Christ, to you,
true Son of God and man,
by whom all things consist,
in whom all life began:
in you alone we live and move,
and have our being in your love.

2 You are the Way to God,
your blood our ransom paid;
in you we face our Judge
and Maker unafraid.
Before the throne absolved we stand,
your love has met your law's demand.

3 You are the living Truth!
All wisdom dwells in you,
the Source of every skill,
the one eternal TRUE!
O great I AM! In you we rest,
sure answer to our every quest.

4 You only are true Life,
to know you is to live
the more abundant life
that earth can never give:
O risen Lord! We live in you:
in us each day your life renew!

5 We worship you, Lord Christ,
our Savior and our King,
to you our youth and strength
adoringly we bring:
so fill our hearts, that all may view
your life in us, and turn to you!

Call to Confession

Rev. Nathan Titus

Time of Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

*The 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.**

*3rd Sunday Confession of Faith (*Heidelberg Catechism Q&A #1*)

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**A. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—
to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.**

Psalter Reading (*Psalms 47*)

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Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy.

How awesome is the LORD Most High, the great King over all the earth!

He subdued nations under us, peoples under our feet.

He chose our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob, whom he loved.

God has ascended amid shouts of joy, the LORD amid the sounding of trumpets.

*Closing Hymn 296 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all.

2 Crown him, ye martyrs of your God,
who from his altar call;
extol the Stem of Jesse's rod,
and crown him Lord of all;
extol the Stem of Jesse's rod,
and crown him Lord of all.

3 Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
ye ransomed of the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all;
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all.

4 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
the wormwood and the gall,
go, spread your trophies at his feet,
and crown him Lord of all;
go, spread your trophies at his feet,
and crown him Lord of all.

5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all;

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and crown him Lord of all.

6 O that with yonder sacred throng
we at his feet may fall;
we'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all;
we'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all.

*Benediction

*Congregation Three-fold Amen

*Postlude "Toccata Giocosa" William Mathias

Join us tonight at 4:00 pm as Pastor Nathan preaches on
Luke 24:25-35, Ascension and the Supper, at our evening
service.