

...joyfully worshipping God...

(An * indicates “please stand if you’re comfortably able.”)

...GATHERING BEFORE GOD

PRELUDE Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring J.S. Bach

WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Leader, **People**)

We are people who have been called to follow where God leads us.

By faith we can obey, even when asked to walk into an unknown future.

We are people who have been challenged to tell God's story to others.

By faith we have the ability to share the good news.

We are God's children who are invited to feast at the Table of grace.

By faith we will embrace our sisters and brothers in Christ.

*ENTRANCE HYMN *Here I Am, Lord* GTG 69

CALL TO CONFESSION

The God who knows us through and through, and loves us still, invites us to honestly confess our shortcomings.

Please join me as we pray....

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us sit in the silence of your presence, O God, and think honestly about our past week.

~A moment of silent prayer~

We remember with regret when, instead of listening with our hearts, we listened with our minds thinking of a snappy reply.

We remember all too clearly the times we replied in anger rather than understanding. When we spoke with impatience rather than tolerance.

We recall with embarrassment the times when we failed to tell the truth.

We regret when our righteous, judgmental selves caused the unhappiness of another. We are sorry for the times when we gave less than our best. In the silence of your presence, O God, we release our failings to you. We ask for your grace, mercy and forgiveness to fill us.

~A moment of silent prayer~

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

All things are held together in our Lord Jesus Christ. That includes every one of us. No matter what has happened in the past, when we confess our sins, with Christ, there is new life. Know

you are forgiven and be at peace.

Thanks be to God.

PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

In celebration of our forgiveness, please greet one another.

MESSAGE IN MINISTRY

...HEARING THE GOOD NEWS

MESSAGE IN MUSIC *I’ll Walk with God* Brodsky/Webster

SCRIPTURE READING : Psalms 34:1-8
Luke 12:32-40

MESSAGE **Be Ready!** Rev. Janet Potter

...RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *Faith Begins by Letting Go* GTG 684

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Church universal, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND TALENTS

Andante Religioso (from Sonata 4)

Felix Mendelssohn

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation To The Lord’s Table

Prayer Of Thanksgiving

Breaking Of The Bread & Pouring Of The Cup

Communion Of God’s People

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

GTG 716

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & *THE LORDS PRAYER*
MALOTTE Sung By Congregation

...SENDING FOR SERVICE

*SENDING HYMN *God of the Ages* GTG 331

*CHARGE

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Festival Fanfare*
(based on God of the Ages) J. Wayne Kerr

...compassionately caring for one another...

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayers for those currently impacted by war; that all would be comforted.

Prayers for our church body during this time of transition and change.

Prayer Partners - Prayer requests may be made by calling Jane Snowberger (761-0518) or Marla Wilckens (452-0226).

OUR WEEKLY TELEVISION BROADCAST

Souler Energy, our weekly Sunday Worship broadcast, can be viewed every Sunday at 9:30am on KFBB TV Channel 5 (cable channel 9).

If you would like to support the continued broadcast of this program, donations are always appreciated. Mark your check in the memo section for “Souler Energy” or use a blue envelope found in the pews, and drop in the offering plate. Thank you!

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JOIN US
NEXT SUNDAY

*Rev. Janet
Potter will be
preaching!*

...humbly serving others...

Peace Place - Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. We are a "Safe Haven for Special Families", offering gentle care and renewal to families raising young children who are fragile. Call 453-1411 for more information, or to chat

...continually growing in God's

Classes/Studies

Autopsy of a Deceased Church by Thom S. Rainer-Tuesdays @ 11:00 a.m. & Thursdays @ 6:30 p.m. in the Ross Library. This class is taught by Pastor Risa.

**...and actively sharing the
Good News of Christ**

Worship Service - Sunday, 10:00 a.m. *A time to gather in celebration and praise of our Lord!*

Coffee Hour - immediately following worship. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Announcements

IMPORTANT NOTICE

If you have an alarm code to the church, please call (or email) the church office with your name and alarm code(s) by no later than **August 15th**. Any active codes will no longer work after this date as updates are being made.

Current Study

Tuesday & Thursdays @ 11:00 a.m. in the
Ross Library

Autopsy of a Deceased Church

12 Ways To Keep Yours Alive

by Thom S. Rainer

Every Tuesday @ 11:00 a.m.

Every Thursday @ 6:30 p.m.

Want to join by Zoom? Go to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4911010646?pwd=azRJamU5dFRFdTdXU3R5Um1UZ09wZz09>

Meeting ID: 491 101 0646

Passcode: 406884



"Be Ready!"
Rev. Janet Potter

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We are the body of Christ...

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