

With Christ as the Cornerstone, we will build a church of living stones, where every member is a minister and is equipped to express God's love by word and deed to all people.

Based on 1 Peter 2:5, 6

The flowers are given today by Joy and Bob Millikan in remembrance of Joy's sister, Alison Melina.

The Worship of God

Reign of Christ Sunday

November 23, 2025

Gathering Music

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"
GBC Worship Band

Words and Music by Paul Baloche

"Great Are You Lord"

Words and Music by David Leonard, Jason ingram, and Leslie Jordan

"I Could Sing of Your Love Forever"

Words and Music by Martin Smith

"The Truth Shall Make You Odd"

Words and Music by Christian McIvor ©2019

by Sebastian Temple

Prelude

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" GBC Handbell Choir

arr. Martha Lynn Thompson

Welcome

April Alton

†Call to Worship

One: Come, let us celebrate the goodness of God.

All: God has blessed us with God's great love.

One: Let us come to this time, letting go of our worries.

All: Let us come to this time praising God.

One: Come, now is the time to worship.

All: We come rejoicing, for God is so good to us. Amen.

[†] Please rise in body or spirit.

†Opening Hymn

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee. All on earth Thy scepter claim; all in heaven above adore Thee. Infinite Thy vast domain, everlasting is Thy reign.

Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising; cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heavens with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord!"

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit: three we name Thee, while in essence only one; undivided God we claim Thee, and adoring, bend the knee while we sing our praise to Thee.

Children's Sermon

April Alston

Musical Meditation

"On Eagle's Wings"
GBC Choir

by Michael Joncas arr. Martha Lynn Thompson

Pastoral Prayer

Steve Rose

Giving Moment

Bo Prosser

Offertory Anthem

"O God, Beyond All Praising"
GBC Choir

Words by Michael Perry Music by Gustav Holst arr. Mark Hayes

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; For we can only wonder at every gift you send, At blessings without number and mercies without end; We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your Word, We honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,
That we who know your favor may serve you as our king;
And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:
To marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

Alleluia, allelu. Amen!

†Doxology

"O Bless the Gifts"

LAMB OF GOD Words by Samuel Longfellow, alt. Music by Twila Paris

O bless the gifts our hands have brought; and bless the work our hearts have planned. Ours is the faith, the will, the thought; The rest, O God, is in Your hand. (Repeat)

†Prayer of Dedication

Chris Allen

Scripture

Luke 22:34-43

Luke Andrew

One: The Word of God, for the people of God. **All:** Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Everybody Wants to Be King!

Bo Prosser

†Hymn of Response

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

HYMN TO JOY Words by Henry van Dyke

Music by Ludwig van Beethoven adapt. Edward Hodges

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee; earth and heaven reflect thy rays; stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began. Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife. Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

Celebrating Community

April Alston

†BenedictionBo Prosser

†Sending Song

"For the Beauty of the Earth" (Excerpt)

DIX Words by Folliott Sandford Pierpoint (alt.) Music by Conrad Kocher

For thyself, best gift divine to the world so freely given; for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

Postlude

"Count Your Blessings" Cynthia Griesedieck

arr. Dick Torrans

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