

Order of Worship for May 24, 2026

Please take time this morning to sign the Friendship Pad. It's a great way for us to remind neighbors in the pews of our names, and to share contact information with the church office!

Gathering

Prayer of Preparation

God our creator, earth has many languages,
but your gospel proclaims your love to all nations in one
heavenly tongue. Make us messengers of the good news
that, through the power of your Spirit, all the world may unite
in one song of praise; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

Book of Common Worship

Prelude

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”
Nancy Mayo, organ

arr. Kenneth Kosche

Welcome

Rev. Chris Nation
Family Pastor

Praising

Prayer of Invocation

8:30 – Alex Popov, Liturgist
11:00 – Brooke Barry, Liturgist

*Call to Worship

—based on Joel 2:28-32

Leader: God will pour out the Spirit on all flesh, and our daughters
and sons shall prophesy.

People: **Our old ones shall dream dreams, and our young ones
shall see visions;**

Leader: And all who call upon the name of the Lord shall be delivered.

People: **Come, let us call upon the name of the Lord.**

Hymn No. 492

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

ITALIAN HYMN

**Please stand, in body or in spirit!*

Confessing

Call to Confession of Faith

Confession of Faith (in unison)

Heidelberg Catechism, Q and A No. 1

Leader: What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

People: **That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—
not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.
At the cost of his own blood he has fully paid for all
my sins and has completely freed me from the
dominion of the devil. He protects me so well that
without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair
can fall from my head. Indeed, everything must fit
his purpose 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.**

*Confession Response, No. 961

“Glory Be to the Father”

GREATOREX

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.

Proclaiming

*Scripture Reading

Hebrews 12:5-13

Pew Bible, p. 1009

*Scripture Response

—from Isaiah 40:8

Leader: The grass withers and the flower fades, but the word
of the Lord endures forever.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon Series: Following Jesus in Real Life

Message: “Following Jesus in the Dark”

Rev. Dr. Shultz
Lead Pastor

Responding

*Hymn No. 859

“Be Thou My Vision”

SLANE

Prayers of the People 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 debts as we forgive
our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

8:30 "Hiding in Thee"

arr. Myra Schubert

Nancy Mayo, piano

11:00 "Shour for Joy"

from *Sing Praise to the Lord*

Goeller

Chancel Choir

Shout for joy to the LORD all the earth
Shout for joy to the LORD;
Serve the LORD with gladness.
Shout for joy to the LORD all the earth.
Come before Him with joyful songs.

Know the LORD is God.
He made us, and we are His
We are His people, the sheep of His pasture: We are His.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving.
Enter His courts with praise.
Give thanks to him and Praise His name. Praise His name.

For the LORD is good
And His love endures forever.
His faithfulness continues to all generations.

*Offertory Response

[tune found at Hymn No. 219]

"All Praise to God the Father Be"

DUKE STREET

All praise to God the Father be, All praise, eternal Son, to Thee,
Whom with the Spirit we adore Forever and forevermore.

*Prayer of Dedication

Sending

*Hymn No. 749

"Spirit of the Living God"

IVERSON

*Benediction

8:30 -- Rev. Dr. Shultz
11:00 -- Rev. Nation

Postlude

"Postlude on FOUNDATION"

arr. Robert Lau

Nancy Mayo, organ

The flowers are given celebrating our life together,
thanking God for our family.
—Steve and Alice Aeschbacher
Floral Arranger: Nancy Minnick

The rose is placed on the altar celebrating the birth of Olivia Howell
Granddaughter of Steve and Peggy Cantrell

Bonhomme Mission Partners:

Local:

The Freedom School
The Haven of Grace
Inside Out Prison Ministry
Isaiah 58
Oasis International Ministries
Restore St. Louis
Samaritan's Purse

International:

Comfort Foundation [Russia]
El Centro Integral [Honduras]
Todd and Julie Hendry [Brazil]
Anonymous [India]
Ron and Lisa Redell
[North Macedonia]
Daniel and Sarah Puttcamp
[Global Outreach]