

Traditional Worship

March 15, 2026
8:45 am



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Lent



Worship Notes

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God Gathers Us

Prelude

Steal Away to Jesus - Raymond Haan

Welcome

Call to Worship - from Psalm 131

Invocation

Introit - CCPC Cantus & Choristers Choirs

Moses Smote the Rock - Ydstie

Gathering Hymn

#2 O Worship the King

Gloria Patri no. 733

We Respond to God’s Presence

Anthem

Prayer of St. Patrick - arr. Rutter

Worship Through Giving

Prayer of Consecration

Doxology no. 34 - OLD 100TH

Ordination & Installation of Elders and Deacons

Elders being Ordained or Installed Today: Louise Brennan, Lorraine Cooper, Will Barnes

Deacons being Ordained or Installed Today: Wayne Cooper, Cindy (Xin) Deng, Christina Gillespie, Brianna Leavell, Rich and Janet Silver, Paul and Pam Smith, Edwin and Priya Sunder, Gary and Mary Vanderslice

Announcements

Greeting

God Reveals His Word to Us

Song of Illumination

Invocation of the Light - Peters Branch

Sermon Rev. Dr. Brad Strait

Scripture: Mark 10:13-17 (page 1006 in pew Bible)

Series: Godspeed Pilgrim

Message: What Makes Kids Flourish?

We Go Forth in Joy

Hymn of Response

#437 Jesus Loves Me

Benediction

Postlude

An Exhortation to Praise - Lani Smith

Prayer for the Week

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bless my efforts and work,
now and for evermore. Amen.
(Mother Teresa)

individual to set him or her apart for such office.

Let's commit to pray for these newly ordained and installed servants, as well as all of our other elders and deacons who have been set apart.

Prayer chain If you would like to be kept up-to-date on prayer needs in our church body, please sign up for the CCPC Prayer chain at ccpcprays@ccpc.life

May We Pray With You? When we join together in prayer, there is a particular power available from God. If you would like prayer and/or prayer for healing, please come forward after the service to find a pastor or elder and we'd love to pray for you and/or anoint you with oil (per James 5).

Assisting in Worship Cantus & Choristers Choirs; Lu Downing, accompanist; Suzanne Compton, Children's & Teen Choirs Coordinator; Sanctuary Choir; Nancy Saddler, organist; David Knopp & Tech Team; Usher Team

Giving In response to God's goodness, we are called to offer our whole selves—heart and mind, soul, and strength—in joyful adoration in our daily lives. One way we do that is through giving financially, which you can do in person after the service, by mail or here:
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Convergent Worship

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Praise - Elevation Worship

Goodness of God - Bethel

Lord, I Need You - Maher

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