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July 12, 2026 | 11:00 | Traditional Worship

ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

WELCOME

Assisted listening devices are available in the sound booth.

PRELUDE

All That Is Within Me, Bless His Holy Name Music by Lester Groom

† CALL TO WORSHIP

† Indicates the congregation should stand.

L: We worship today in the name of God the Father,

P: Praise to our creating God!

L: In the name of His Son, Jesus Christ:

P: Praise to our redeeming God!

L: In the name of God the Spirit:

P: Praise to our renewing God!

L: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;

P: The whole earth is full of His glory.

L: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

P: Praise the Lord!

† PROCESSIONAL HYMN 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

† PRAYER

Holy God, we gather today to acknowledge Your presence and invoke Your holy name. You are our guide, our strength, and our peace. We lift our hearts in gratitude for the gift of this day and for bringing us together in unity and purpose. Lord, as we worship, we ask for Your wisdom to guide our minds, Your grace to shape our words, and Your love to direct our actions. Open our hearts to receive Your blessings, and help us to be a source of light and encouragement to one another. We pray in the holy and powerful name of Christ. Amen.

† PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Welcome each other. Welcome the stranger. Welcome all who come. As Christ welcomes everyone, let us open our hearts and homes and lives. Let us be Christ to everyone we meet. Now greet one another as a sign of God's peace.

L: The peace of Christ is here among us.

P: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Women's Chorale

This Little Light of Mine

Music by Mark Hayes

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine! Hide it under a bushel? No! I'm gonna let it shine! Won't let anybody blow it out. No, I'm gonna let it shine! Shine my light across the land, yes, I'm gonna let it shine! Let your light shine, oh, let it shine!

LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

CALL TO THE WORD

The first four of the ten commandments relate to how we love God with our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Love for God includes undivided allegiance, wholehearted worship, reverence for who He is and an active trust that He will provide as seen in the Sabbath command. From a genuine love for God flows a love of our neighbors which is the focus of the final six commandments. How do we love God in such a way that we revere and represent Him well? That is the focus on the third commandment and what it means to "not take the Lord's name in vain." This is more than just not swearing using God's name or being too flippant with how we talk about God. The idea of a "name" is more than what you call somebody, it is how you think of their character and what made them who they are. The third command is calling us to revere God and live in a way that reflects His glory to the world.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 20:1-7

¹Then God spoke all these words, ²"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³you shall have no other gods before Me. ⁴"You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above or that is on the earth beneath or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me ⁶but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. ⁷"You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

What's in a Name? The Third Commandment

Pastor Markus Wegenast

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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L: Almighty God, grant that all who confess Your name may be united in Your truth, live together in Your love, and reveal Your glory in the world. Lord, in Your mercy...

P: hear our prayer. *Silent prayer.*

L: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in Your mercy...

P: hear our prayer. *Silent prayer.*

L: Give us all a reverence for the earth as Your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to Your honor and glory. Lord, in Your mercy...

P: hear our prayer. *Silent prayer.*

L: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as Christ loves us. Lord, in Your mercy...

P: hear our prayer. *Silent prayer.*

L: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of Your salvation. Lord, in Your mercy...

P: hear our prayer. *Silent prayer.*

L: We offer these prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to pray:

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

OFFERTORY

Meditation on All Creatures of our God and King

Arranged by David Hegarty

† DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Heavenly Father, You have given us riches beyond measure. We can only return a fraction of what we owe You; but we ask, Lord, that You will bless our offerings and help us to use them wisely in Your service and for Your glory. Amen.

GO FORTH WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† RECESSIONAL HYMN 79

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

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† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

Postlude on All Creatures of Our God and King

Arranged by David Hegarty

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IN WORSHIP TODAY

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given by Sam and Susan Varghese in honor of our parents.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Markus Wegenast, *Senior Pastor*

Acolyte

Violet Enginger, *Abel Tyler Lay Readers*

Joe Galyon, *Director of Worship and Arts*

Women's Chorale, *Musicians*

David Eberhardt, *Director of Contemporary Worship*

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