



LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

April 26, 2026



*Welcome one another
as Christ has welcomed you,
for the glory of God.*

Romans 15:7

ANNOUNCEMENTS



THIS SUNDAY

- **SUNDAY SCHOOL**: This Sunday at **9:30AM** we continue studying New Testament letters to the churches.
- **GUEST PREACHER**: Mackenzie Boudreaux. will be preaching for us. Mackenzie is in his last semester at Westminster Seminary California and is a native of the Northwest.
- **POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP**: Everyone is invited to share in a meal and fellowship with us after the service downstairs in the fellowship hall.
- **EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE**: Join us this Sunday at **5:30PM** in the sanctuary. See service details on page 14 at the end of this bulletin (or the church calendar on our app or website).

NEXT WEEK

- **BIBLE STUDY**: We will continue our study of Paul's letter to the Romans next **Tuesday** (Apr 28) at **7:00PM**. Everyone is invited to participate, either in person or online via Zoom (see the weekly Tuesday email for the Zoom link).

COMING UP

- **PACIFIC NORTHWEST PRESBYTERY**: The next meeting will be held here at Hope on Thursday and Friday **May 21 & 22**. We will need volunteers to help in various ways.

MORNING WORSHIP



SILENT PRAYER & INVOCATION

GREETING

PEOPLE: **Amen!**

CALL TO WORSHIP

from [Psalm 34:1-3, 8-10](#)

SONGS OF PRAISE

["Gloria Patri"](#)

#734

**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.**

["Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"](#)

#376

**Open now thy gates of beauty,
Zion, let me enter there,
where my soul in joyful duty
waits for him who answers prayer.
Oh, how blessed is this place,
filled with solace, light, and grace!
Lord, my God, I come before thee,
come thou also unto me;
where we find thee and adore thee,
there a heav'n on earth must be.
To my heart, O enter thou,
let it be thy temple now!**

**Here thy praise is gladly chanted,
here thy seed is duly sown;
let my soul, where it is planted,
bring forth precious sheaves alone,
so that all I hear may be
fruitful unto life in me.**

**Thou my faith increase and quicken,
let me keep thy gift divine,
howsoe'er temptations thicken;
may thy Word still o'er me shine
as my guiding star through life,
as my comfort in my strife.**

**Speak, O God, and I will hear thee,
let thy will be done indeed;
may I undisturbed draw near thee
while thou dost thy people feed.
Here of life the fountain flows,
here is balm for all our woes.**

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translated by Catherine Winkworth (1863; alt.).

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SUMMONS TO REPENTANCE

[Romans 3:9-18](#)

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Our sovereign Lord God, King of Glory and enthroned in holiness, we are humbled and our hearts full of shame as we hear the sober truths from your Word concerning our sin. We cannot deny the truth it proclaims. We fully and freely acknowledge our sin, its pervasive presence in our lives, the depth of its pollution and stain. The terrible weight of our sin bears down upon us. O our Father, be the lifter of

our heads, that we may see and fully embrace the forgiveness you grant through Jesus Christ our Savior. Fill us with the joy of your salvation, and with gratitude for your abundant mercy and grace. We thank you and praise you. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

**IN THESE MOMENTS, WE SILENTLY CONFESS OUR PERSONAL SINS
TO GOD SO THAT WE MAY TAKE HOLD OF THE FORGIVENESS
WON FOR US BY CHRIST, OUR REDEEMER.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

[Romans 8:1-2](#)

SINGING GOD'S GRACE

["Depth of Mercy"](#)

Songbook

**Depth of mercy! Can there be,
mercy reaching even me?
God, the Just, His wrath forbears,
me the chief of sinners, spares.
So many times my heart has strayed
from His kind and perfect ways;
Making clear my desp'rate need,
for His blood poured out for me.**

**Jesus speaks, and pleads His blood,
satisfies the wrath of God.
Now my Father's mercies move,
Justice lingers into love.
If I rightly read Thy heart,
Thou, whom all compassion art.
Lend Thine ear, in mercy bow;
pardon and accept me now.**

**Give me grace, Lord, let me own
all the wrongs that I have done.
Let me now my sins deplore,
look to You and sin no more.**

**There, for me, the Savior stands,
holding forth His wounded hands.
Scars which ever cry for me;
Once condemned but now set free.**

Words by Charles Wesley (1707–1788).

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WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

Westminster Confession of Faith VI.4–6

Of the Fall of Man, of Sin, and of the Punishment Thereof

4. From this original corruption, whereby we are utterly indisposed, disabled, and made opposite to all good, and wholly inclined to all evil, do proceed all actual transgressions.

5. This corruption of nature, during this life, does remain in those that are regenerated; and although it be, through Christ, pardoned, and mortified; yet both itself, and all the motions thereof, are truly and properly sin.

6. Every sin, both original and actual, being a transgression of the righteous law of God, and contrary thereunto, doth, in its own nature, bring guilt upon the sinner, whereby he is bound over to the wrath of God, and curse of the law, and so made subject to death, with all miseries spiritual, temporal, and eternal.

SCRIPTURE READING

[Psalm 27](#)

Of David.

- 1** The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

- 2 When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh,
my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.
- 3 Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall
not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be
confident.
- 4 One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days
of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to
inquire in his temple.
- 5 For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will
lift me high upon a rock.
- 6 And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies
all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with
shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD.
- 7 Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me
and answer me!
- 8 You have said, "Seek my face." My heart says to you,
"Your face, LORD, do I seek."
- 9 Hide not your face from me. Turn not your servant away
in anger, O you who have been my help. Cast me not off;
forsake me not, O God of my salvation!
- 10 For my father and my mother have forsaken me,
the LORD will take me in.
- 11 Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path
because of my enemies.
- 12 Give me not up to the will of my adversaries; for false
witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out
violence.
- 13 I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD
in the land of the living!
- 14 Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take
courage; wait for the LORD!

**O thou who the Shepherd of Israel art,
give ear to our pray'r and thy favor impart;
thou leader of Joseph, thou guide of his way,
'mid cherubim dwelling, thy glory display.**

**In Ephraim's, Manasseh's, and Benjamin's sight,
O come thou and save us; awake in thy might.**

**O God, give us favor, restore to thy grace;
and then we shall live in the light of thy face.**

**From Egypt's dark border a vine thou didst take;
destroying the heathen didst room for it make.
Where planted it grew at thy sov'reign command,
with roots deeply set and boughs filling the land.**

Words from Psalm 80:1-19; Associate Reformed *Psalter* (1931).

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PRAYER

[Moldova \(prayercast.com\)](http://prayercast.com): Sandwiched between Ukraine and Romania, Moldova has long been the traditional passageway between Europe and Asia. The small nation has been conquered by the Romans, Greeks, Huns, Bulgars, Ottomans, Romanians, and Soviets, leading Moldova to be extremely diverse and its citizens able to speak several languages.

Moldova also boasts the world's richest and most fertile soil, which supports vast wheat fields, vineyards, and orchards. The irony is that even though Moldova has so many natural and human resources, it is the poorest nation in Europe; 72% of its people live below the poverty line, 60-80% of its adult population is unemployed, and thousands of people leave annually seeking work throughout Europe, leaving children to be raised in single family homes or with their elderly grandparents.

Roughly 70% of the 4.6 million Moldovans are Eastern Orthodox Christians. However, most are nominal Christians who base their religious affiliation solely on their infant baptism. Yet, due to poverty and years of Soviet atheistic indoctrination, Moldavians yearn for a deeper meaning in life, are desperately looking for hope, and thus are open to hearing Christ's life-generating and hope-filled gospel. Though a mere 3% of the population are evangelical Christians, they are zealous, dynamic and eagerly sharing their faith. Bible colleges are training leaders, churches are instituting youth programs, and church planters are resolute in their goal to establish healthy churches in the 800 villages that currently have no gospel witness. God has prepared His people with energy, vision, skills, and the geographic location to spread His love, hope, peace, and life to people who desperately are seeking it in Moldova and to those in Eastern Europe and Central Asia. Please urge Him in prayer to release the power of the Holy Spirit within the Moldavian Church and that those who hear His gospel will respond in faith and subsequently unite with His people to build His kingdom for His glory.

- Pray for lifeless traditions and religion to be replaced by a radical love for Jesus.
- Pray for children abandoned or trapped in poverty to find their future and hope in Christ.
- Pray for bearers of the Gospel to be trained and sent to the hundreds of villages with no witness.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MINISTER'S PRAYER,
THE CONGREGATION SHALL PRAY TOGETHER:

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.

SERMON TEXT

[Luke 15:1-10](#)

¹ Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ “What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸ Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? ⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

SERMON

*“The God Who Seeks”
Mackenzie Boudreaux*

Savior, like a shepherd lead us,
much we need thy tender care;
in thy pleasant pastures feed us,
for our use thy folds prepare:
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
thou hast bought us, thine we are;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
thou hast bought us, thine we are.

We are thine; do thou befriend us,
be the guardian of our way;
keep thy flock, from sin defend us,
seek us when we go astray:
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
hear, O hear us when we pray;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
hear, O hear us when we pray.

Thou hast promised to receive us,
poor and sinful though we be;
thou hast mercy to relieve us,
grace to cleanse, and pow’r to free:
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
let us early turn to thee;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
let us early turn to thee.

Early let us seek thy favor;
early let us do thy will;
blessed Lord and only Savior,
with thy love our bosoms fill:

**blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
thou hast loved us, love us still,
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
thou hast loved us, love us still.**

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THE LORD'S SUPPER

PLEASE **HOLD** ELEMENTS UNTIL **ALL** ARE SERVED.

WHITE GRAPE JUICE IS IN THE TRAYS.

GLUTEN-FREE BREAD IS IN THE BOWL IN THE CENTER OF THE TRAYS..

MINISTER: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

GRATEFUL OFFERINGS

"O Thou Who the Shepherd of Israel Art" (Ps 80) #349
verses 3–5

**From Egypt's dark border a vine thou didst take;
destroying the heathen didst room for it make.
Where planted it grew at thy sov'reign command,
with roots deeply set and boughs filling the land.**

**The axe hews it down; it is burned in the fire;
they perish, rebuked in thy terrible ire.**

**O lay then thy hand on the Man of thy might,
The Son of Man made to stand strong in thy sight.**

**No more shall we wander, delighting in shame;
revive us, O Lord, we will call on thy name.**

**O Lord God of hosts, us restore to thy grace,
and then we shall live in the light of thy face.**

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
*alleluia, alleluia!***
**Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
*alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

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BENEDICTION

Hebrews 13:20–21

“May the Peace of God”

Songbook

**May the peace of God our Heav’nly Father,
and the grace of Christ the risen Son,
and the fellowship of God the Spirit
keep our hearts and minds within His love.**

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EVENING WORSHIP



OPENING PRAYER

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 34

(TH page 796–7)

HYMN

“Praise the Savior Now and Ever”

TH #243

OT SCRIPTURE READING

Numbers 25

NT SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 8

PRAYERS

SERMON

Hebrews 9:13–14

“The Sprinkling of Defiled Persons”


(see WCF 28.3, TH page 865)

SONGS BY REQUEST


CLOSING PRAYER



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