



LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

August 16, 2026



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

Romans 15:7

ANNOUNCEMENTS



THIS SUNDAY

- **SUNDAY SCHOOL**: On Summer break until September. Please see Jan Anderson or one of the elders if you are interested in helping with Sunday School this Fall.
- **POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP**: We *are* continuing our fellowship lunches during kitchen remodeling. Everyone is invited to join us after the service downstairs in the fellowship hall.
- **EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE**: Join us this Sunday at **5:30PM**. We *are currently meeting downstairs*. 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** (Aug 18) at **7:00PM**. Everyone is invited to participate, either in person (we are meeting *downstairs*) or online via Zoom (see the weekly Tuesday email for the Zoom link).
- **MONTHLY SESSION MEETING**: On **Wednesday** (Aug 19) at **6:00PM** in the church library. All are welcome to attend.

COMING UP

- **WEDDING SHOWER**: Ladies of Hope are all invited to attend a wedding shower for Margarita Naumchik, Ben Anderson's fiancée: **September 12** at **1:00PM** at the Woodruff home. Please pick up your invitation (which has all the information including gift registry) at the bulletin table in the foyer, or from Lisa Woodruff or Jan Satterfield. School age girls are welcome to attend.

MORNING WORSHIP



SILENT PRAYER & INVOCATION

GREETING

MINISTER: Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God
our Father and our Creator, from Christ Jesus
our Lord and our Savior, and from the Holy Spirit
our Helper and our Comforter.

PEOPLE: **Amen!**

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 27:1, 14

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.**

"O Worship the King" (Psalm 104)

#2

**O worship the King all-glorious above,
O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love;
our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.**

**O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.**

**The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, your pow'r has founded of old;
has 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.**

**Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain;
and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.**

**Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!**

**O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!
While angels delight to hymn you above,
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.**

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SUMMONS TO REPENTANCE

Romans 3:10-18

CONFESSING OUR SIN

God of truth and light, in the light of the truths your Word declares and we have just heard, we reject the spirit of our age that claims people are basically good. Clearly, we are not. If not for the life-giving work of your Spirit causing us to be born again we would be lost in our sin. You are the Giver of good gifts: new life, new hope and faith in Christ Jesus, a new heart tuned to your grace, new eyes that see and ears that hear, your forgiveness for our sins. Help us, O Lord God and Father, to walk in the newness of life you have given us.

Cleanse us from our remaining sins and renew a right spirit within us, we ask in Jesus' name. 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

Psalm 103:8, 10-12

SINGING GOD'S GRACE

"In Christ Alone"

Songbook

**In Christ alone my hope is found,
he is my light, my strength, my song;
this cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.**

**What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!**

**My comforter, my all in all,
here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones He came to save:**

**Till on that cross as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied;
for ev'ry sin on Him was laid —
here in the death of Christ I live.**

**There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
then bursting forth in glorious day
up from the grave He rose again!**

**And as He stands in victory
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am His and He is mine —
bought with the precious blood of Christ.**

**No guilt in life, no fear in death —
this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.**

**No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from His hand:
till He returns or calls me home —
here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.**

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WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker
of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and
invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son
of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds;
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the
Father, by whom all things were made; who, for us
and for our salvation, came down from heaven and was
incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was
made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius
Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day
He rose again, according to the Scriptures, and
ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of
the Father; and He shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom
shall have no end.**

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 25:1-13

“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

**One day when heaven was filled with his praises,
one day when sin was as black as could be,
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin —
Dwelt amongst men, my example is he!**

***Living, he loved me; dying, he saved me;
buried, he carried my sins far away;
rising, he justified freely, forever:
one day he's coming — O, glorious day!***

**One day they led him up Calvary's mountain,
one day they nailed him to die on the tree;
suffering anguish, despised and rejected:
bearing our sins, my Redeemer is he!**

***Living, he loved me; dying, he saved me;
buried, he carried my sins far away;
rising, he justified freely, forever:
one day he's coming — O, glorious day!***

**One day they left him alone in the garden,
one day he rested, from suffering free;
angels came down o'er his tomb to keep vigil;
hope of the hopeless, my Savior is he!**

***Living, he loved me; dying, he saved me;
buried, he carried my sins far away;
rising, he justified freely, forever:
one day he's coming — O, glorious day!***

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PRAYER

North Macedonia (prayercast.com): Stepping foot into North Macedonia instantly transports you back in time, with its ancient architecture and medieval landmarks. Landlocked between Greece,

Bulgaria, Serbia, Kosovo, and Albania, the nation is an important link between major trade routes. The capital city, Skopje, is known for its Ottoman Old Bazaar—one of the largest and oldest marketplaces in the Balkans. Although ethnically Albanian, Mother Teresa was born in Skopje and is one of the city's most famous historical figures. Interestingly, North Macedonia is the only nation to gain independence from former Yugoslavia without any bloodshed. Independence was established in 1991 under the name “Macedonia,” later becoming “North Macedonia.” With a history as an ancient crossroads, it's no surprise that North Macedonia's population represents people from across the world—including ethnic Macedonians, Albanians, Turks, and more.

North Macedonia experiences a steady demographic decline due to low birth rates and high emigration rates. Many young graduates and skilled professionals relocate to Germany, Austria, and Slovenia in search of better wages, shrinking rural communities. Government corruption and a weak judicial system destroy public trust, further driving people away. Tensions also run deep between the Macedonian majority and the Albanian minority over political representation. Pushing for reform has been difficult; journalists reporting on government misconduct frequently face lawsuits, intimidation, and hostility from public officials.

North Macedonia is roughly 60% Christian (mostly Orthodox) and 35% Muslim. One of the largest cross structures in the world is the Millennium Cross on Vodno Mountain overlooking Skopje. Despite the country's impressive religious résumé, many churches are emptying, and few people incorporate faith into their daily lives. Minority Christian denominations, including the 0.2% of evangelicals living there, face challenges with registration and acquiring a place to worship. However, there is an increasing focus on Church discipleship, which includes pastors' prayer networks, pastoral mentoring, and citywide worship events. Small evangelical fellowships are being established in cities and smaller communities. Protestant and evangelical populations are growing. God is working in His Church!

- Pray for the healing of deep-seated ethnic division in society, politics, and the Church.
- Pray for wise and mature leaders who plant churches.
- Pray for lifeless churches to be filled with new and passionate disciples of Jesus.

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

Hebrews 9:23-28

²³ Thus it was necessary for the copies of the heavenly things to be purified with these rites, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. ²⁴ For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵ Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, ²⁶ for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷ And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, ²⁸ so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

SERMON

“Eager Expectation”

O Lord, how shall I meet you,
how welcome you aright?
Your people long to greet you,
my hope, my heart's delight!
O kindle, Lord, Most Holy,
your lamp within my breast
to do in spirit lowly
all that may please you best.

Love caused your incarnation,
love brought you down to me;
your thirst for my salvation
procured my liberty.
O love beyond all telling,
that led you to embrace,
in love all love excelling,
our lost and fallen race!

Rejoice, then, you sad-hearted,
who sit in deepest gloom,
who mourn o'er joys departed
and tremble at your doom.
Despair not, he is near you,
yea, standing at the door,
who best can help and cheer you
and bids you weep no more.

Sin's debt, that fearful burden,
let not your soul distress;
your guilt the Lord will pardon
and cover by his grace.

**He comes, for men procuring
the peace of sin forgiv'n,
for all God's sons securing
their heritage in heav'n.**

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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

"One Day He's Coming"

#327 (verses 4–5)

**One day the grave could conceal him no longer,
one day the stone rolled away from the door;
then he arose, over death he had conquered;
now is ascended, my Lord evermore!**

*Living, he loved me; dying, he saved me;
buried, he carried my sins far away;
rising, he justified freely, forever:
one day he's coming — O, glorious day!*

**One day the trumpet will sound for his coming,
one day the skies with his glories will shine;
wonderful day, my beloved ones bringing;
glorious Savior, this Jesus is mine!**

***Living, he loved me; dying, he saved me;
buried, he carried my sins far away;
rising, he justified freely, forever:
one day he's coming — O, glorious day!***

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"Doxology"

#733

**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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B E N E D I C T I O N

Hebrews 13:20-21

"It Is Well with My Soul" (refrain)

#691

***It is well* [it is well] **with my soul;** [with my soul]
it is well, it is well with my soul.**

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EVENING WORSHIP



OPENING PRAYER

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 51

(TH page 804)

HYMN

“O Quickly Come, Dread Judge of All”

TH #322

OT SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 4

NT SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 8

PRAYERS

SERMON

Matthew 18:15–17

“The Discipline of Discipline”

(see WCF 30.4, TH page 866)

SONGS BY REQUEST

CLOSING PRAYER



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