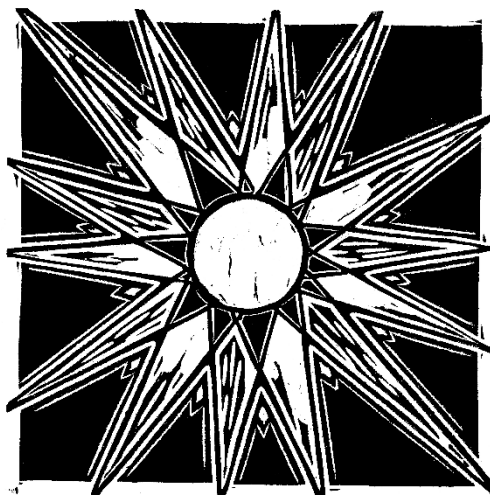


# John Knox Presbyterian Church

## Service for the Lord's Day

June 21, 2026



### GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

*\*Those who are able, please stand*

PRELUDE

*Meditation*

C.F. Becker

\*INTROIT: HYMN 401

*Gather Us In, v. 1*

GATHER US IN

*Here in this place the new light is streaming;  
now is the darkness vanished away;  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings  
brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken;  
gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken;  
we shall arise at the sound of our name.*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Erin Rigot

God cares for us completely  
and calls for our total commitment.

**Christ gave his life that we might live  
and calls us to give our lives to him.**

Through Christ we have died to sin;  
in Christ we are fully alive to God.

**So, let us worship our God!**

\*HYMN 35

*Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

LOBE DEN HERREN

## **\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Confident that we are promised newness of life  
through repentance and forgiveness,  
let us turn to God and to one another,  
confessing our sin.

**God of Abraham, Sarah, and Isaac,  
God of Hagar and Ishmael,  
who gave us your Son,  
Jesus Christ the crucified,  
send your Holy Spirit to help us confess  
and truly repent of our sin.**

**We turn against one another;  
we fail to care for the weak and poor among us.  
We pay no heed to the cries of the powerless;  
we seek our own advantage.  
Your Son emptied himself upon a Roman cross  
and revealed your eternal, self-giving love.  
Forgive us, merciful God.  
Wipe sin from our lives  
and let us find ourselves  
wholly in Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
It is in his name that we pray. Amen.**

*Silent Confession*

## **\*LORD, HAVE MERCY**

*Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

## **\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

God who loves us,  
does not abandon us or forsake us.  
Our Savior hears and answers  
when we cry out from the wastelands of sin.  
Death cannot bind us, for the risen Christ sets us free.

**So, with that in mind, we embrace the good news:  
in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

**\*RESPONDING IN PRAISE**

Hymn 582, v.1

*Sing twice*

***Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

**LIFE AND WORK AT JOHN KNOX**

*At this time, K3s, K4s and K5s are invited to join Children's Church on the Nursery Hall for a time of learning and fun. Parents, please pick up your children there after the worship service.*

**PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Isaiah 58:1-8  
Pew Bible p. 600-601

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

Matthew 5:13-16  
Pew Bible p. 786

The grass withers, the flower fades,  
**The Word of our God will stand forever.**

**SERMON**

"You Are the Light of the World"

Ewen Holmes

**RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Confession of Belhar – 10.5b

**We believe...that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker; that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS**

Offertory Anthem

*The King of Love*

arr. K. Lee Scott

\*Doxology

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

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

## GO IN GOD'S NAME

\*HYMN 377                      *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*                      HOUSTON

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: HYMN 747                      ENVIADO

*The Lord Now Sends Us Forth*

***The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,  
to make of all the earth a better place to live.  
The angels are not sent into our world of pain  
to do what we were meant to do in Jesus' name;  
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.  
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will today.***

POSTLUDE                                      *Finale*                                      Johan Helmich Roman

### Worship Team

Mark Britt	Luke Browder	Justin Cazel	Jacob deMaine
Susan Felton	Ewen Holmes	Parker Johnson	Kristine Lee
Bobby Mock	Carol Phillips	Scott Reichen	Carter Rief
Caroline Robertson	Ava Watson	Rob Wright	

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