

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

MARCH 23, 2025

Let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe.
Hebrews 12:28

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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SILENCE FOR PREPARATION

CALL TO WORSHIP *

Psalm 66:1–4

Shout for joy to God, all the earth.

Sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you."

Say to him, "All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name."

INVOCATION *

HYMN # 42 *

Our Great God

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Father, by the power of your Holy Spirit, **open our eyes, that we may see wonderful things in your law;** through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Marla Miles

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5 (pew Bible p. 712)

New Testament Reading: James 1:12-18 (pew Bible p. 1199)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Derick Land

O Lord, you have mercy upon all—take away our sins from us, and mercifully kindle in us the fire of your Holy Spirit. Take away from us the heart of stone, and give us a heart of flesh, a heart to love and adore you, a heart to delight in you, to follow and to enjoy you, for Christ's Sake, Amen.

— Ambrose

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Ezekiel 36:24–26

I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I BELIEVE in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I BELIEVE in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN # 272

The Power of the Cross

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Don Shoemaker

HYMN # 265 *

Lamb of God

OFFERTORY PRAYER *

Logan Davis

SERMON

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The Lamb of God

John 1:19-34 (pew Bible p. 1053)

HYMN # 263 *

Worthy Is the Lamb

BENEDICTION *

* *Congregation please stand.*