

April 28, 2024

Indicates you may rise in body or spirit. You are invited to read the **bold font.*

THE APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come to the vineyard of God.

We seek Christ, the vine of great love.

Drink from the waters of life.

We live in the light of God's grace.

Come to the vineyard of God.

All are welcome here.

*SONGS OF WORSHIP

"All Creatures of Our God & King"

*SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

SONG OF CONFESSION

"All the Poor & Powerless"

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

CELBRATION OF MILESTONES & REMEMBERING BAPTISMAL PROMISES

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

*GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

#809 "Doxology"

Tithes/offerings placed in the box at the entrance of the sanctuary are transferred to an offering plate and brought forward during the "Doxology" as a sign of our response to God's call on our lives.

*SONG OF RESPONSE

"Breastplate of St. Patrick"

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING SONG

#835 "Savior Again"

w. 1, 2

POSTLUDE

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THE WORD OF GOD

*SONG OF PREPARATION

#365 "Abide With Me"

w. 1, 2, 3, 4

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

John 10:7-10

SERMON

"Alive in Christ"

Participating In Worship

The Congregation

Serving the Lord in Worship

Sharon Bartlett

Organist

Rosalyn De Koster, Jenn Lambert, Rebecca Koerselman,

Worship Team

Sharon Foughty, Savannah Van Leeuwen, Jeff Tolsma, Josiah Troutner

Rosalyn De Koster & Lizzy Rice

Milestone Liturgists

Rev. Rosalyn De Koster, Director of Musical Arts and HS Formation

Liturgist

Rev. Dr. Verlyn Boone, Transitional Pastor

Leading in Worship



LITANY FOR CELEBRATING MILESTONES &
REMEMBERING BAPTISMAL PROMISES

In baptism God promises by grace alone:

to forgive our sins,
to adopt us into the Body of Christ, the Church,
to send the Holy Spirit daily to renew and cleanse us, and
to resurrect us to eternal life.

In baptism we promise to love, encourage, and support each other:

by modeling the gospel of God's love
by being an authentic example of Jesus' mission and
by journeying together as God's people
in discipleship, prayer, and service.

This morning we remember our promises as we celebrate with this group of second graders who've finished their first year wondering through their Bibles in Fuel for Faith.

Joshua, Quinn, and Zoey,
you belong to God and we belong to each other
through the love of Christ Jesus.
Once again, we promise to love you,
share the stories of God with you,
and pray for you.

This morning we remember our promises as we celebrate with this group of graduates who we've walked alongside in their journey of faith.

Kyan and Danielle,
you belong to God and we belong to each other
through the love of Christ Jesus.
We will send you out and welcome you home.
Once again, we promise to love you,
share the stories of God with you,
and pray for you.

We offer all of you a Bible:

as a reminder of God's promise, God's covenant, to be with you, and it is full of stories about how God keeps this promise:

and as a reminder of our promise, our covenant,
to walk with you in faith,
and it is full of stories calling us to keep this promise.

Families are invited forward to pray for these beloved children.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING & ELECTION

May 5, 2024

On May 5, we will hold a brief congregational meeting following the service to vote for our 2024 Deacons and Elders. If you are a member, please try to be at this meeting to vote. **Please keep your children in the sanctuary with you for this short meeting.** If you are unable to be there, please reach out to the church office ASAP to receive an absentee ballot.



**CHILDREN'S & YOUTH
DISCIPLESHIP**

Sunday Morning Nursery

Located out the east doors of the sanctuary, nursery care is available **9:30–11:45 AM** for children birth through 4 years old.

Where? When?

Sunday School @ ARC	10:45-11:30 AM
Children & Worship (PreK–1st Grade)	Room 106
2nd & 3rd Grade	Room 105
4th & 5th Grade	Room 103
Middle School	Room 107
High School	Room 108

Our Sunday and Wednesday night activities have come to an end for this school year. We will see you again in the fall!

All Creatures Of Our God And King

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing,
Oh praise him!
Alleluia!
Thou, burning sun with golden beam,
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam,
Oh praise him! Oh praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship him in humbleness.
Oh praise him!
Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three-in-One!
Oh praise him! Oh praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the redeemed washed by his blood,
Come and rejoice in his great love.
Oh praise him!
Alleluia!
Christ has defeated every sin,
Cast all your burdens now on him.
Oh praise him! Oh praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He shall return in pow'r to reign,
Heaven and earth will join to say,
Oh praise him!
Alleluia!
Then who shall fall on bended knee?
All creatures of our God and King.
Oh praise him! Oh praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Jonathan Baird, Ryan Baird, St. Francis of Assisi, William Henry Draper
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All The Poor And Powerless

All the poor and powerless,
And all the lost and lonely,
And all the thieves will come confess
And know that you are holy,
And know that you are holy.

And all will sing out, "Hallelujah!"
And we will cry out, "Hallelujah!"

All the hearts who are content,
And all who feel unworthy,
And all who hurt with nothing left
Will know that you are holy.

And all will sing out, "Hallelujah!"
And we will cry out, "Hallelujah!"
And all will sing out, "Hallelujah!"
And we will cry out, "Hallelujah!"

Shout it.
Go on and scream it from the mountains,
Go on and tell it to the masses
That he is God.

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Abide With Me

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens:
Lord with me abide!
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless. O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see:
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need thy presence ev'ry passing hour;
What but thy grace can foil
the tempter's pow'r?
Who, like thyself,
my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine,
O abide with me.

I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting?
Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

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Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

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The Breastplate of St. Patrick

When my work takes me places I don't
want to go:
Christ before me.
When my heart aches with sorrow as I hit
the road:
Christ be with me.

When the care of my fam'ly takes all that I
have:
Christ within me.
When I'm worn and exhausted, ashamed
that I'm mad:
Christ defend me.

I'll rise up today in a strength
That is not my own.
I'm held by the promise of God
That I'm never alone.

When I'm tossed to the side and I wanna
give up:
Christ beside me.
And I'm breaking my back, but it's never
enough:
Christ beside me.

When I work hard but someone else gets
the reward:
God's eyes see me.
When I ask for promotion but they shut
the door:
God's ears hear me.

I'll rise up today in a strength
That is not my own.
I'm held by the promise of God
That I'm never alone.

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That is not my own.
I'm held by the promise of God
That I'm never alone.

When I climb the first steps t'ward a
longheld dream:
Christ above me.
When I leap out in faith and I hope to find
wings:
Christ beneath me.

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Saviour Again

Savior, again to your dear name we raise
With one accord our parting hymn of
praise;
We give you thanks before our worship
cease,
And now departing, wait your word of
peace.

Grant us your peace upon our homeward
way;
With you began, with you shall end the
day;
Guard now the lips from sin, the hearts
from shame,
That in this house have called upon your
name.

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