

# Welcome to Worship!

August 20, 2023

11:00 a.m.

Prelude *Shall We Gather at the River* arr. Young

Silent Meditation *Hosea 6:6*  
*For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,  
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.*

Welcome and Announcements

Chimes

Introit *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

Call to Worship *Psalm 69*

Prayer of Adoration, Approach and Confession

Hymns #8, 9  
*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty  
Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him*

Offertory *We've a Story to Tell to the Nations*

Presentation of Gifts and Doxology #625  
*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.*

Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer and Intercession

Hymn *How Great Thou Art* #4

Scripture Reading *Mark 12:24-34* (p. 848)

Sermon *Loving God* Rev. John Flanagan

Hymn *The Love of God* #67

Closing Words

Choral Response #623 *Gloria Patri*  
*Glory Be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen.*

Benediction

Postlude *How Firm a Foundation* arr. Young

## JOINING AND BECOMING A CHURCH MEMBER

*Baptism upon personal profession of faith is the normal mode of entry  
into the membership of a Christian church.*

*Persons seeking membership, who have not been baptized as believers  
or transferring from another church, may be accepted  
for full membership based on their own public profession of faith.*