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## THE BELLS

## THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OPENING PRAYER

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Saturday 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m.

***The Battle Belongs to the Lord***

Trumpet Ensemble

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

***Where There Is Faith***

Praise Band

## THE OPENING HYMN

Thursday 7:00 p.m., Saturday 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m.

***O Bless the Lord, My Soul***

LSB #814

1. O bless the Lord, my soul! Let all within me join  
And aid my tongue to bless His name whose favors are divine.
2. O bless the Lord, my soul, nor let His mercies lie  
Forgotten in unthankfulness and without praises die!
3. 'Tis He forgives thy sins; 'tis He relieves thy pain;  
'Tis He that heals thy sicknesses and makes thee young again.
4. He crowns thy life with love when ransomed from the grave;  
He that redeemed my soul from hell hath sov'reign pow'r to save.

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

***Blessed Be Your Name***

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful.  
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.  
And blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place.  
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name.

*Pre-Chorus: Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise,  
And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say;*

*Chorus: Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name*

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me.  
When the world's "all as it should be," blessed be Your name.  
And blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering.  
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name.  
*Pre-Chorus, then Chorus*

*Bridge: You give and take away, You give and take away  
My heart will surely say, Lord, blessed be Your name. (Two times)  
Chorus twice*

#### THE INVOCATION

*P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C: Amen.*

#### THE CONFESSION OF SINS

*P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and  
cleanse us from all unrighteousness.  
P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have  
sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what  
we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved  
our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment.  
For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and  
lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of  
Your holy name. Amen.*

#### THE ABSOLUTION

#### THE SONG RESPONSE

Saturday 5:00 p.m., Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.  
***Jesus, Draw Me Close***  
Jesus, draw me close, closer, Lord, to You.  
Let the world around me fade away.  
Jesus, draw me close, closer, Lord, to You.  
For I desire to worship and obey.  
*(Repeat, ending with) For I desire to worship and obey.*

#### THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 17:1-15  
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13  
Matthew 5:43-48

## THE NICENE CREED

I 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 men 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 will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I 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 I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

INSTALLATION OF 7th GRADE TEACHER, Miss Grace Adams

COMMISSIONING OF DAY SCHOOL STAFF AND FACULTY

## THE OFFERING OF TITHES AND FIRST FRUIT GIVING

The Musical Offering

Saturday 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m.

***How Great Thou Art***

Trumpet Ensemble

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

***Satisfied***

Praise Band

## THE INTERCESSORY PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

### THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR Words of Institution

Distribution Hymns

Thursday 7:00 p.m., Saturday 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m.

***Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord***

LSB #637

1. Draw near and take the body of the Lord,  
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured;  
Offered was He for greatest and for least,  
Himself the victim and Himself the priest.
2. He who His saints in this world rules and shields,  
To all believers life eternal yields;  
With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole,  
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
3. Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere  
And take the pledges of salvation here.  
O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow,  
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

***Nearer, My God, to Thee***

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!  
E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me;  
Still all my song shall be: nearer, my God, to Thee,  
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

Nearer, my Lord, to Thee, nearer to Thee,  
Who to Thy cross didst come, dying for me!  
Strengthen my willing feet, hold me in service sweet  
Nearer, O Christ, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

Nearer, O Comforter, nearer to Thee,  
Who with my loving Lord dwellest with me!  
Grant me Thy fellowship! Help me each day to keep  
Nearer, my Guide to Thee, Nearer to Thee!

But to be nearer still, bring me, O God,  
Not by the visioned steeps angels have trod.  
Here where Thy cross I see, Jesus, I wait for Thee,  
Then evermore to be nearer to Thee!

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

***Above All***

Above all powers, above all kings,  
Above all nature and all created things;  
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man,  
You were here before the world began.  
Above all kingdoms, above all thrones,  
Above all wonders the world has ever known;  
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth,  
There's no way to measure what You're worth.

*Chorus: Crucified, laid behind the stone; You lived to die,  
Rejected and alone. Like a rose trampled on the ground,  
You took the fall, and thought of me, above all.  
(Repeat all; sing chorus twice; ending with)  
Like a rose trampled on the ground,  
You took the fall, and thought of me, above all.*

***Holy, Holy***

Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty;  
And we lift our hearts before You as a token of our love,  
Holy, holy, holy, holy.

Gracious Father, gracious Father, we're so blest to be Your children,  
Gracious Father, and we lift our heads before You as a token of our love,  
Gracious Father, gracious Father.

Precious Jesus, precious Jesus, we're so glad that You've redeemed us,  
Precious Jesus; and we lift our hands before You as a token of our love,  
Precious Jesus, precious Jesus.

Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit, come and fill our hearts anew,  
Holy Spirit; and we lift our voice before You as a token of our love,  
Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, and we lift our hearts before You as a token of our love,  
Hallelujah, hallelujah.

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE SERMON HYMN

***Amazing Grace***

LSB #744

1. Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see!
2. The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
3. Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;  
His grace has brought me safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.
4. Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail and mortal life shall cease,  
Amazing grace shall then prevail in heaven's joy and peace.
5. When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

THE SERMON

Pastor PJ Brooks

THE BENEDICTION

## THE CLOSING SONG

### ***How Great Is Our God***

The splendor of a King, clothed in majesty;  
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.  
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide  
And trembles at His voice, trembles at His voice

*Chorus: How great is our God, King of kings  
How great is our God, and all will see  
How great, how great is our God.*

Age to age He stands, and time is in His hands,  
Beginning and the end, beginning and the end.  
The Godhead Three in One: Father, Spirit, Son,  
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb. *Chorus twice*

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| <i>Adult Bible Classes</i> |                        |              |
|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Saturday 6:00 p.m.         | Fellowship Bible Study | West Gallery |
| Sunday 10:00 a.m.          | Fellowship Bible Study | Gym          |

ATTENDANCE REGISTER – Members and visitors, please be sure to sign the attendance clipboard at the end of your pew and pass it down. Also, don't forget to sign in your children, even if they're in the nursery. Circle your name if you are taking Holy Communion. When the last person signs the book, please pass it back.

| <b>Next Weekend at CTK</b>                |  | <b>August 21, 23 and 24, 2025</b> |
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| Preaching:                                |  | Pastor Jason Cashmer              |
| Music:                                    |  |                                   |
| Thursday 7:00 p.m. and Saturday 5:00 p.m. |  | Vocal Duet                        |
| Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.                |  | Praise Band                       |

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**Acts 17:1-15**

<sup>1</sup> Now when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was a synagogue of the Jews. <sup>2</sup> And Paul went in, as was his custom, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures,

<sup>3</sup> explaining and proving that it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead, and saying, "This Jesus, whom I proclaim to you, is the Christ." <sup>4</sup> And some of them were persuaded and joined Paul and Silas, as did a great many of the devout Greeks and not a few of the leading women.

<sup>5</sup> But the Jews were jealous, and taking some wicked men of the rabble, they formed a mob, set the city in an uproar, and attacked the house of Jason, seeking to bring them out to the crowd.

<sup>6</sup> And when they could not find them, they dragged Jason and some of the brothers before the city authorities, shouting, "These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also, <sup>7</sup> and Jason has received them, and they are all acting against the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, Jesus." <sup>8</sup> And the people and the city authorities were disturbed when they heard these things. <sup>9</sup> And when they had taken money as security from Jason and the rest, they let them go.

<sup>10</sup> The brothers immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea, and when they arrived they went into the Jewish synagogue. <sup>11</sup> Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so. <sup>12</sup> Many of them therefore

believed, with not a few Greek women of high standing as well as men. <sup>13</sup> But when the Jews from Thessalonica learned that the word of God was proclaimed by Paul at Berea also, they came there too, agitating and stirring up the crowds. <sup>14</sup> Then the brothers immediately sent Paul off on his way to the sea, but Silas and Timothy remained there. <sup>15</sup> Those who conducted Paul brought him as far as Athens, and after receiving a command for Silas and Timothy to come to him as soon as possible, they departed.

**1 Thessalonians 3:9-13**

<sup>9</sup> For what thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, <sup>10</sup> as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?

<sup>11</sup> Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you,

<sup>12</sup> and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, <sup>13</sup> so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

**Matthew 5:43-48**

<sup>43</sup> "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' <sup>44</sup> But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, <sup>45</sup> so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. <sup>46</sup> For if you love

those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? <sup>47</sup> And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? <sup>48</sup> You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.