

**May 5, 2024, 9:00AM**

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*In the spirit of Christ,  
to love, to nurture, and to serve  
one another, our communities and the world.*

Welcome to worship this Sunday! Wherever you are, God is present with you.  
Let us now move from getting where we are to being present where we are, as we worship God.

**PRELUDE**

J.S. Bach

*Prelude in D minor*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Jonas Hayes

\* Please rise in body or spirit

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

Juliet Orejel

*(A Call to Worship expresses God’s invitation to gather in this place and calls us to encounter the Holy One.)*

Leader: They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength

**People: Lord we wait patiently in your presence**

Leader: They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength

**People: God gives power to the faint and strength to those without power**

Leader: Lift us up.

**People: Lift us up!**

Leader: Make us strong.

**People: Make us strong!**

Leader: Help us walk.

**People: Help us run! Make us fly!**

**All: They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength.**

**Lord, we come to wait in your presence.**

**\* OPENING HYMN**

Hymnal #92

*While We Are Waiting, Come*

**1 While we are waiting, come;  
while we are waiting, come.**

Refrain:

**Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel,  
while we are waiting, come.**

**2 With power and glory, come;  
with power and glory, come. (Refrain)**

**3 Come, Savior, quickly come;  
come, Savior, quickly come. (Refrain)**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Mary Kathryn Rivera

(A Call to Confession expresses God's initiative in calling for repentance and promising forgiveness in Christ. We acknowledge our sin, tell God about it, and ask to be forgiven. We approach God with confidence, trusting in the mercy of Jesus Christ.)

Lord, today we confess that we often live as those who have never heard of you.

We plan and strategize as though the outcome depended solely upon us.

We worry and fret like those who have no advocate.

Forgive us Lord,

for the scheming and conniving we do to make sure that we have our own way.

Forgive us Lord,

for grasping at power when you are the Power,

for seeking glory when all glory belongs to you,

for not leaning upon You when we feel weak, or powerless or alone.

Forgive us Lord,

for relying upon ourselves and other mortals when we should turn to You.

Teach us how to live more like those who belong to you and less like those who belong to the world. Amen.

## SILENT PRAYERS AND CONFESSIONS

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Hear some good news! The prophet Isaiah says this: "Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint." (*Isaiah 40:30-31*)  
Trust in the Lord and be strengthened.

**People: Trust in the Lord and be strengthened!**

Leader: Let us now rise in body or spirit and greet one another with Christ's peace and compassion. Peace be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

### \* SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE & COMPASSION

### SONG OF ASSURANCE

Hymnal #839 v.1

*Blessed Assurance*

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God  
Born of his Spirit, washed in His blood  
This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long  
This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Psalm 130  
Alegre Wilhite

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD. Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications! If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning. O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

**INTERGENERATIONAL MOMENT**

Carolyn Blocker

**SKIT**

Noah Dodd & Nancy English-Fletcher

*Wait*

**REFLECTIONS**

James Dodd, Stan DeWitt, Nancy English-Fletcher

**SONG OF RESPONSE**

Phil Wickham

*Wait*

James Dodd

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**WORDS OF INVITATION**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**RECEIVING THE ELEMENTS & BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

**COMMUNION MUSIC**

arr. Julia Tsien

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

**PRAYER OF BLESSING**

**\* CLOSING HYMN**

Hymnal No. 791, vs. 1, 2, 5 & 6

*For You, My God, I Wait*

**1 For you, my God, I wait  
with hope born of the Word.  
Like sleepless ones who long to dream  
I wait and call my Lord.**

**2 Lord, hear my pleading voice,  
and let me know you hear!  
As sleepless ones feel rest approach,  
I know my God is near.**

5 And once my soul is still,  
in you I find my rest,  
at peace as though a child upon  
a gentle mother's breast.

6 O God, you are my hope;  
I know that you forgive.  
Your love redeems me from the depths  
so I may rise and live.

\* CHARGE Marion Park

\* BENEDICTION Jonas Hayes

POSTLUDE Mumford and Sons

*I Will Wait*

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