



WORSHIP FOLDER

Welcome Home

Sunday, March 1st, 2026

10:30 am

Welcome / Opening Praise

"Sing of Our God"

1. Take us, Lord, and fill our hearts with wonder
We long to see Your majesty and splendor
Your mercy reaches out to us
The Son of God has raised us to new life, new life...

*Chorus: **So we sing of our God and how wonderful
Is His love on the earth and miraculous
Is the mercy that came and has conquered death
So we sing of our God, we sing... of our God***

2. Take us, Lord, and change us in Your wisdom
So we can shine Your light unto the kingdom
You are more than we could ever comprehend,
Compassion without end, no end... *(Chorus)*

"Faith (Hebrews 11:1)"

It seems like there's so much to hope for
So many dreams, I wish they all could come true
When I think about Your ways, Lord
It gives me so much faith in all that You do

***Faith to see beyond what I can see
Faith to know that You will do great things
I will trust You, Lord, I'll always believe...***

*As I hold on to my faith,
Jesus, You are holding on... to me.*

Invocation

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

Confession and Absolution

(pastor leads us in confession...)

Responsive Reading for the Day - Genesis 12:1-9 [Cong. will join on selected verses]

- P: Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."
- C: **So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. And Abram took Sarah his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan.**
- P: When they came to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east.
- C: **And there he built an altar to the LORD and called upon the name of the LORD. And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.**

Prayer of the Day



- Scriptural Foundation and Christian Teaching on Holy Baptism
- Sponsor Charge and Vow *(all sponsors rise)*

Exorcism and Creed

(congregation rises)

P: Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

C: **Yes.**

P: Do you believe in God, the Father, Almighty?

C: **Yes, I believe in God, the Father, Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord?

C: **Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

P: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

C: **Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen**

Parental Charge and Vow

(congregation is seated, parents remain standing)

P: Do you promise before God to raise this child, whom He has given you as a sacred trust, in a Christian home and to see to his/her Christian upbringing?

Parents: **We do promise with the help of God.**

Baptized on this day ...

ADALINE RUTH STARR

BAILEY GRACE STARR



Sacrament of Baptism

Giving and Naming of the Child

Baptismal Pouring and Proclaiming

Baptismal Blessing and Presentation to the Congregation

Presentation of the Baptismal Candle and Prayer

New Life Praise Song - Doxology

♪ **Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heav'nly hosts,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. AMEN**



Epistle - Romans 4:1-8, 13-17

...What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness."

Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. And to the one who does not work but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works:

"Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."

For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring -- not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations" -- in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Gospel - John 3:1-17

... Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs

that you do unless God is with him.” Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” Nicodemus said to Him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit,

he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

Nicodemus said to Jesus, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.

Praise for the Day

“God of Abraham” *(Cong. joins on 2nd vs.)*

(Leaders) You are the God of Abraham
You are in command of every throne
You are the God of majesty
You saw the heart in me and made a home

*(And) You have been my God... Faithful through the years
The nations rise and fall You were standing still*

*(Oh) You will be my God What then shall I fear
I know whatever comes You'll be with me still*

(continues)

2 (ALL). You are the God of righteousness
You are my defense when I have none
You are the God of matchless grace
And in my darkest days you still hold on *to Chorus + Bridge*

Chorus: *(And) You have been my God... Faithful through the years
The nations rise and fall You were standing still
(Oh) You will be my God What then shall I fear
I know whatever comes You'll be with me still*

Bridge: *I know You've never let go
I know You've never let go of me
I know You've never let go... Last x - to Chorus
And You never will*

Ending: *I know whatever comes You'll be with me still
I know whatever comes You'll be with me still*

The Message

"UPROOTED BY GRACE ... "

Receiving the Offering / Praise Response

"Sons and Daughters"

1. Before He spoke creation... the God of heaven knew our name
Formed in His reflection... We are His glory on display
*And His heart is good... He is always kind
With the cross He proved... He is on our side*
*We are the sons, We are the daughters of God
No matter where we go, We're close to the Father's heart
And though we stumble He will not let us fall
We are the Lord's and He will never forsake His own
We are the sons... We are the daughters of God*
2. His love He lavished on us... And called us children of the King
(And) In His loving kindness... He chose the lowly and the weak
*And His heart is good... He is always kind
With the cross He proved... He is on our side* *(continues)*

Chorus: **We are the sons, We are the daughters of God**
No matter where we go, We're close to the Father's heart
And though we stumble He will not let us fall
We are the Lord's and He will never forsake His own
We are the sons... We are the daughters of God

Installation & Blessing / Voices of Care - [ABIGAIL FORD]

Prayers of the Church

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen..

Benediction / Closing Praise

"Praise (the Lord)" *(Congregation joins on Repeat of v.1)*

1-2 I'll praise in the valley Praise on the mountain
(Leaders - 1st x): I'll praise when I'm sure Praise when I'm doubting
I'll praise when outnumbered Praise when surrounded
'Cause praise is the water... My enemies drown in
As long as I'm breathing... I've got a reason to...
Praise the Lord, oh my soul
Praise the Lord, oh my soul *(1st x - Repeat v.1)*

3 (ALL): I'll praise when I feel it And I'll praise when I don't
I'll praise 'cause I know... You're still in control
'Cause my praise is a weapon It's more than a sound
My praise is the shout... That brings Jericho down
As long as I'm breathing... I've got a reason to...
Praise the Lord, oh my soul,
(I'm gonna...) Praise the Lord, oh my soul, (continues)

(I'm gonna...) *I won't be quiet, My God is alive How could I keep it inside*
Praise the Lord, oh my soul

Bridge - (2x)
(Leaders - 1st x):

I'll praise 'cause You're sovereign
Praise 'cause You reign
Praise 'cause You rose and defeated the grave

I'll praise 'cause You're faithful
Praise 'cause You're true
Praise 'cause there's nobody greater than You *(Repeat - ALL)*

Praise the Lord, oh my soul
Praise the Lord, oh my soul

I won't be quiet, My God is alive How could I keep it inside
I won't be quiet, My God is alive How could I keep it inside

I'll praise 'cause You're sovereign
Praise 'cause You reign
Praise 'cause You rose and defeated the grave

I'll praise 'cause You're faithful
Praise 'cause You're true
Praise 'cause there's nobody greater than You

Ending *Praise the Lord, oh my soul...*

Leader *Let everything that has breath...*

ALL: *Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord*

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