



# Welcome to Worship

Sunday, July 23, 2023

10:00 a.m.

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

“Arioso”

Douglas E. Wagner

*As the prelude begins, you are invited to begin your personal preparation for worship.*

### SILENT MEDITATION

“Grace comes free of charge to people who do not deserve it and I am one of those people. I think back to who I was—resentful, wound tight with anger, a single hardened link in a long chain of ungrace learned from family and church. Now I am trying in my own small way to pipe the tune of grace. I do so because I know, more surely than I know anything, that any pang of healing or forgiveness or goodness I have ever felt comes solely from the grace of God. I yearn for the church to become a nourishing culture of that grace.”

Phillip Yancey,  
*What's So Amazing About Grace*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

God's Spirit gathers us.

**We are not alone.**

God's Spirit calls us.

**We are to discern together God's will.**

God's Spirit sends us.

**We are to shine like the sun, bearing witness to Christ our Savior. Let us worship God!**

## PRAISE AND ADORATION

\*OPENING HYMN #714

God of the Fertile Fields

ITALIAN HYMN

(\*Please stand, if you are able.)

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Master Gardener, weeds and wheat fill the fields of our lives, grow entangled, and are difficult to distinguish. We have not spent the time we should in prayer and study of your Word to help us discern what is evil and against your will. We excuse our complacency and justify our passive faith. Yet, we need your truth. We hunger for your harvest. Jesus, forgive us. Deliver us from evil. Clear our path to you. Amen.

### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

**KYRIE ELEISON**

"Lord, Have Mercy"

Schubert



Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON****\*GLORIA PATRI (#581)**

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI



Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men, a - men.

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS****MOMENT FOR MISSION**

Kathy Moore, representing Agape for All

**HYMN #767**

Together We Serve

SAN ANSELMO

**A READING FROM THE PSALMS**

Psalm 86: 11-17

page 474 of the pew Bible

**ANTHEM**"I Need Thee Every Hour"  
Julia Ramirez, solo

arr. Kyle Pederson

**FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER****JOYS AND CONCERNS****PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE****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.

**ANTHEM**

"When Speaking Has Ceased"

Craig Courtney

# PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

page 794 of the pew Bible

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Telling the Wheat from the Weeds"

Dr. Zieman

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Confession of 1967, 9.07

In Jesus Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself. Jesus Christ is God with humankind. He is the eternal Son of the Father, who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation. He is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. This work of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is the foundation of all confessional statements about God, humanity, and the world. Therefore, the church calls all people to be reconciled to God and to one another.

**\*SANCTUS**

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

SANCTUS (Schubert)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, \_\_\_\_\_  
ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, \_\_\_\_\_  
heav - en and earth are full, \_\_\_\_\_ full \_\_\_\_\_ of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Let Everything That Hath Breath"

Jeffery L. Ames

Tyler Kalynowski, solo

**\* DOXOLOGY (#609)**

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known; Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Grateful for your radical hospitality and steadfast love we present these gifts to you, God. Use them to further your will and transform our world into your new, redeemed creation. Amen.

**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION #367**                      Come, Ye Thankful People, Come                      ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**                      "A Choral Amen"                      Marianne Forman

**POSTLUDE**                      "A Festive Trumpet Tune"                      Douglas E. Wagner

**SERVING IN MINISTRY TODAY**

**Liturgist**                      Roger Utman, elder on Session

**Music**                      Resound Vocal Ensemble; Kristi Treu, director – learn more about Resound on the announcements page; Marissa Mathia, piano; Larry Frederickson, bass guitar; Mark Kanitz, organ

**Ushers**                      Jayne Frederickson, Neal Hubbard, Charlotte Hubbard, Marietta Morhardt

**Greeters**                      North Door: Earlene Uhrig                      South Door: Ken & Cindy Nisley

**Information Center**                      Judy Thomas

**Childcare Ministry**                      Kari Bernet, Chelsea Spielman, and Brandon Fisher

**Coffee Host**                      Curt Field

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# Announcements

For the week of July 23, 2023

## The Week at a Glance

### Sunday, July 23

10:00 Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream  
11:00 Coffee Fellowship and JHF & SHF Slideshow

### Monday, July 24

10:00 Tai Chi

### Tuesday, July 25

7:00 Men's Bible Study  
9:30 Staff Meeting  
1:00 Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study

### Thursday, July 27

10:00 Tai Chi

### Sunday, July 30

10:00 Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream  
11:00 Lunch & Learn

### Summer Schedule Through September 3

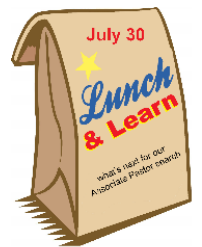
Single Worship Service at 10 a.m.  
Coffee Fellowship at 11 a.m.  
No Sunday School  
Office Hours: 9:00 to 3:30 Monday-Friday

**Joys & Concerns.** Betty Mack is in the hospital. Jim Miller, Lowell Wilhite, Keith Engelmann, and Barb Stuedemann had surgeries this week.

**JHF and SHF Mission Trip Slideshows TODAY.** Join us for coffee fellowship and our mission trip slideshows at 11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall today. All are invited to attend. Come and see how hard our youth worked and played on their trips.

### What's Next in New Associate Pastor Search?

Plan to join us after worship for a Lunch & Learn on Sunday, July 30 to hear more about our next steps. A box lunch will be provided, so we can quickly serve everyone and start our discussion. Sign up at the Information Desk or online, so we have the right number of lunches.



**Summer Ushers Needed.** We are looking for ushers for our 10 a.m. services through September 3. Sign up for a Sunday that works for you! No experience needed, and families are welcome to sign up. We'll send emails to all who sign up with usher directions. Sign up online!



**School Supply Collection Continues in July.** School supplies will be collected throughout the month of July to benefit our OPS mission partner schools: Integrated Learning Program (ILP), Walnut Hill, Bancroft, and Sherman elementary schools. For 2023, we've set a goal of 125 backpacks in addition to all the traditional school supplies. Collection boxes are at the circle drive doors and in the Narthex.

**Join Alleluia Singers for Summer Choir Sundays.** You have one more chance to sing with the Summer Choir on August 13. Come to the choir rehearsal room at 9 a.m. We'll rehearse a few simple pieces to sing at the 10 a.m. worship service. This is a great time to try choir on for size without making a large time commitment. Please email Kristi Treu at [kristi@pcoc.us](mailto:kristi@pcoc.us) to let her know you are coming.

**Did you see something you'd like to sign up for?** We've made it easy to sign up online! Just scan the QR code below to access our sign-up page, locate your event, and complete the online sign-up form!



**About Resound.** Resound is a choral ensemble whose origins date back to the beginning of the pandemic and is comprised of highly skilled college and career-aged singers from both our church and the Omaha metro area. The members are responsible for learning the music on their own time, then come together for two or three rehearsals before singing in worship. Resound is sponsored by a scholarship provided by church member Mary Haddock (soprano) in memory of her husband Ron Haddock (tenor). Mary and Ron sang in church choirs all of their lives and Mary provided the scholarship in 2018 after Ron died. The scholarship is meant to encourage young musicians to be involved in church music. Since then, the scholarship has provided funds for several paid choir section leaders, leadership for children and youth choirs, and other singers and instrumentalists. If you are interested in contributing to this scholarship fund, please contact Kristi Treu at [kristi@pcoc.us](mailto:kristi@pcoc.us).

#### Resound Members

Ethan Bennett	Tyler Jenkins	Julia Ramirez
Jacob Denton	Abby Johnson	Noah Reestman
Nathan Denton	Brooke Jones	Trevor Slachetka
Hannah Engelkamp	Tyler Kalinowsky	Thomas Stoinsich
Olivia Hacker	Matt Lewis	Addisyn Stueve
Lauren Hofer	Marissa Mathia	

**49ers on August 1.** The Omaha Community Playhouse (OCP), the nation's largest community theater, has just embarked on its 99<sup>th</sup> season!!! Learn more about OCP and the new season from their Executive Director, Katie Broman. Lunch is at 11:30 a.m. at WHEATFIELDS, 1224 South 103rd Street (One Pacific Place) in the Garden Room - our own SPECIAL place. We order from a special menu. Everyone is welcome, whether you are 49, younger or older, come join us! For reservations or questions, please contact Mary Ott or Judy Sundberg. Sign up at the Information Center desk.

**"Tables for Eight" – 2023 Fall Session.** The deadline for registration for the fall session (September, October, November and December) is August 10. New participants (couples or singles) are definitely welcome to join this fellowship opportunity. You can choose to be a "regular" or a "substitute". Find questions and answers about "Tables for Eight" on the registration form, and the form is available at the Information Desk or on the church website.

For the upcoming Fall Session, current "regular" members are automatically assigned to a new group and "substitutes" will remain on the list unless you notify Pam Otto. If you dropped out last session and want to return as a regular or substitute, please contact Pam by phone, text, or email.

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