

An Order for the Worship of God

November 19, 2023

Ring of the Bells

Welcome & Announcements - Candle Lighting and Prelude

*Please stand, if able

* Call to Worship: based on Psalm 123 (Liturgist – Congregation)

To you I lift my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

**As the eyes of a maid look to the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes look to you, giver of every good gift.**

Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

**Look with favor upon us, O Lord, and be pleased with
our praise and thanksgiving.**

Let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn: #285, Come, Te Thankful People, Come

Opening Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

**Gracious creator, your day draws near with deliberate haste.
We prepare ourselves for the providence that you promise us
in Christ. As we gather in this place to give you all praise
and glory, fill us with the Holy Spirit so that we may discern
your will. May we thereby be led to worship you in all that
we do, with thanksgiving to Jesus who shows us the way. For
we ask this in the name of our beloved Savior, Jesus Christ,
who taught us to pray: "Our Father ...(debts/debtors)**

New Testament Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri: #558 (PILGRIM)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:14-30

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: May the reading and the hearing of Your word inform
our minds, comfort our souls, and guide our feet.**

Sermon: Parable of the Talents

*Responsive Hymn: #349, Take My Life and Let It Be

Congregational Prayer

L: Lord, in your mercy

C: **Hear our prayer**

Call for the Offering

Let us share God's blessings, as we collect our tithes, gifts, and offerings.

*Doxology #562 (Pilgrim)

Offering Prayer

**We recognize that the greatest gift is the gift of love. May
our offerings distribute this love to the world; the small
world we inhabit with the suffering people we know; the
larger world where the power of love is sorely needed. Amen.**

*Closing Hymn: #280, In Thanksgiving Let Us Praise Him

Benediction

**We go in peace to love and serve the Lord in the name of
Christ. Amen.**

*Extinguishing the Candles
Postlude

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH



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THE BULLETINS WERE SPONSORED THIS MORNING BY MARYJO
KAUFMANN IN HONOR OF HER BIRTHDAY.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MJ!

Welcome Visitors! Thank you for joining this congregation for
worship this morning. You are welcome and encouraged to participate
in all functions of the church including
communion and fellowship. Please pick up a
Welcome! Folder as you exit the church to learn
more about the offerings of St Jacob
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We are happy you are here!

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