

Faith - Family - Fellowship

## ORDER OF WORSHIP CONTEMPORARY SERVICE APRIL 6, 2025 11:05 a.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP	Chain Breaker	Praise Team & Congregation
SONG OF FAITH	Goodness of God	Praise Team & Congregation
GREETING & PRAYER OF CONSECRATION PR		
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	The Apostles' Creed	PR
WORDS OF WISDOM	Psalm 86:1-13	Susan Clark
SONG OF HOPE	Clean	Praise Team (solo)
NEW DOXLOGY / BLESSING OF THE OFFERING		
PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH / THE LORD'S PRAYER		Justin Claiborne
WORD OF GOD	John 12:20-33	Samantha Richards
SPIRITUAL VITAMIN	THE CROSS Glorify! Our worth is found in God, Amen!	
SONG OF LOVE	Glorify Thy Name	Praise Team & Congregation
GOING FORTH		

## **PRAYER OF CONSECRATION:**

Pastor: Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.

People:Jesus, I belong to you.I lift my heart to you.I set my mind on you.I fix my eyes on you.I offer my body to you, as a living sacrifice.Jesus, we belong to you.Praying in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Amen.

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - THE APOSTLES' CREED

Leader:	Do you believe in God the Father?
People:	I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
Leader:	Do you believe in Jesus Christ?
People:	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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.
Leader:	Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
People:	I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

## WORDS OF WISDOM - PSALM 86:1-13

The Book of Psalms, also known as the Psalter, is a collection of 150 poems and songs, forming a crucial part of the Hebrew Bible and the Christian Old Testament, often regarded as a prayer book and hymnbook of the Bible. The Psalms express a wide range of human emotions, from joy and praise to sorrow and repentance, and address themes of gratitude, justice, wisdom, and repentance. Allow the words from chapter 39 to open up your heart, mind, and soul to a true revelation of God's glory.

Hear me, Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy. Guard my life, for I am faithful to you; save your servant who trusts in you. You are my God; have mercy on me, Lord, for I call to you all day long. Bring joy to your servant, Lord, for I put my trust in you. You, Lord, are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to you. Hear my prayer, Lord; listen to my cry for mercy. When I am in distress, I call to you, because you answer me. Among the gods there is none like you, Lord; no deeds can compare with yours. All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord; they will bring glory to your name. For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God. Teach me your way, Lord, that I may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name. I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever. For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the depths, from the realm of the dead.

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O Lord, you have given us the gift of your Word. People: May we ever protect and keep it pure. Amen. The **Gospel of John** is the fourth of the New Testament's four canonical Gospels. It contains a highly schematic account of the ministry of Jesus, with seven "signs" culminating in the raising of Lazarus (foreshadowing the resurrection of Jesus) and seven "I am" discourses culminating in Thomas's proclamation of the risen Jesus as "my Lord and my God". The gospel's concluding verses set out its purpose, "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name."

Allow these words, from the Gospel of John, to bring forth a deeper awareness of the immense amount of love God has for you.

Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. "Sir," they said, "we would like to see Jesus." Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus.

Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me.

"Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!"

Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and will glorify it again." The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him.

Jesus said, "This voice was for your benefit, not mine. Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

This is the word of God for the people of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**