

* **Call to Worship:** from Isaiah 43:19-21
Let us worship God, who has done great things.
We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world.
Let us worship God,
who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.
We are the people God has formed through Christ; we worship him, and we rejoice!
Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.
We praise God for the grace that has saved us.
Alleluia! We rejoice!

* **Opening Prayer**

* **Congregational Favorites**

Profession of Faith: From Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
begotten from the Father before all ages,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made;
of the same essence as the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven.**

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Evening Prayer

* ***Spirit of God, Who Dwells within My Heart*** #419:1,5 (PH)
Spirit of God, who dwells within my heart,
Wean it from sin, through all its pulses move.
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as you are,
And make me love you as I ought to love.

Teach me to love you as your angels love,
One holy passion filling all my frame:
The fullness of the heaven-descended Dove;
My heart an altar, and your love the flame.

* **Scripture:** *Jeremiah 9:23-24 (ESV)* pg. 801
²³ Thus says the Lord: "Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches,
²⁴ but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares the Lord."
John 17:1-5 (ESV) pg. 1132
¹ When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ² since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Message: *The Nicene Creed: Ancient Words Ever True II*

* ***The Church's One Foundation*** #502:1,2 (PH)
The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation by water and the Word.
From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, yet one over all the earth;
Her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

* **God's Blessing**

* ***The Church's One Foundation*** #502:4 (PH)
'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious, her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

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Music: Lee V

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Jesus
answered,
"I am
the Way and the
Truth and the Life.

No one
comes
to the
Father
except
through
me.

John 14:6

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