

WE GATHER IN CHRIST’S NAME AND PRESENCE

GATHERING MUSIC *Come, God Creator, Holy Ghost* Johann Sebastian Bach
WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, SILENCE The Rev. Dr. James Butler

* UNISON INTROIT (Hymn 305, v. 1)
Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ our Lord has led us through the ages long!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

* GREETING AND OPENING RESPONSES The Rev. Dr. Arvid Whitmore
May the grace of our Lord Jesus Chrirst, the love of God, and the communion
of the Holy Spirit be with you.
And also with you.
As a deer longs for streams of cool water, so we long for you, O Lord.
We thirst for you—the Living God! By your gracious welcome, we enter your presence.

* HYMN 402 “How Lovely, Lord” MERLE’S TUNE

* ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
Beloved in Christ: God is with us!
We are not alone!

CALL TO CONFESSION AND SILENT REFLECTION

UNISON CONFESSION
God of grace and loving kindness, we acknowledge the ways we have failed to love
you and be faithful to your ways. We have not loved and cared for our neighbors. We
have not forgiven as we have been forgiven. Although we try, we do not always
pursue justice and compassion, nor do we walk humbly before you. Forgive us where
we have failed, and give us strength and a holy desire to do your will rather than our
own. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SUNG RESPONSE (Hymn 286, vv. 1, 3)
Breathe on me, breath of God; fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost love and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, breath of God; till I am wholly thine.
Until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

FIRST LESSON Ephesians 2:1-11 (Pew Bible, N.T. p.192)

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION *Amazing Grace* Trad. American Melody
Kathy Sands, Piano Arr. Rafael Griffin

* GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 9:9-13 (Pew Bible, N.T. p.9)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SUNG BLESSING
Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

SERMON “Theological ‘G’ Words” Dr. Butler
“We are saved by grace through faith, which is not our own doing...”

RESPOND TO THE WORD

* HYMN 839 “Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!” ASSURANCE

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.

OFFERTORY *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* Edwin T. Childs

* DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

* HYMN 652 “A Grateful Heart” ROCKINGHAM

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* DEPARTING MUSIC *Toccata in d* Franz Xaver Murschhauser
The people are welcome to depart or remain seated while the Departing Music is played.

Our Mission
To extend the gracious welcome of God in Jesus Christ through worship,
service and spiritual growth in a supportive community of faith.

Staff
The Rev. Dr. James Butler, Pastor
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SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY
Third Sunday After Pentecost
June 14, 2026
10 a.m.
