

Chorus... So lay down your burdens; lay down your shame. All who are broken lift up your face. Oh wanderer come home, you're not too far. So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart; come as you are.

Verse 2... There's hope for the hopeless, and all those who've strayed. Come sit at the table; come taste the grace. There's rest for the weary, rest that endures; earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure. Chorus...

Bridge... Come as you are. Fall in His arms. Come as you are.

Verse 3... There's joy for the morning, oh sinner be still earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal. Chorus...

Tag... Come as you are. Come as you are.

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"I Give You My Heart"

Verse... This is my desire to honor You. Lord, with all my heart I worship You. All I have within me, I give You praise, all that I adore is in You.

Chorus... Lord, I give You my heart, I give You my soul, I live for You alone. Every breath that I take, ev'ry moment I'm awake, Lord, have Your way in me.

Repeat Verse, and Chorus three times

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--COMMUNION DISMISSAL

P. The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

--BENEDICTION

P. The grace of our + Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C. Amen.

--CLOSING SONG "Your Grace is Enough" (2 Corinthians 12:9)
Verse 1... Great is Your faithfulness, oh God. You wrestle with the sinner's heart. You lead us by still waters into mercy, and nothing can keep us apart.

Channel... So remember Your people, remember Your children, remember Your promise, oh God.

Chorus... Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough for me.

Verse 2... Great is Your love and justice, God. You use the weak to lead the strong. You lead us in the song of Your salvation, and all Your people sing along.

Repeat Channel, Chorus twice, then Channel, then...

Chorus 2... Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough for me. Your grace is enough, Heaven reaching down to us. Your grace is enough for me. Your grace is enough. I'm covered in Your blood. Your grace is enough for me. For me.

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P. Go in peace and serve the Lord!

C. Thanks be to God!

*** * * TO GOD BE THE GLORY * * ***

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THE CONNECTION

March 1, 2026 10:30am

The Sacrament Of The Altar will be celebrated at the 10:30 AM service. Anyone who is not yet instructed, in doubt or holds a differing confession and yet desires to receive the Sacrament, is asked first to speak with a Pastor, Elder or Worship Assistant.

--PRESERVICE SONG "I Will Lift My Eyes"

--ANNOUNCEMENTS

--WORSHIP SONG "You Are My King (Amazing Love)"

Verse... I'm forgiven because You were forsaken; I'm accepted; You were condemned; I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me because You died and rose again.

Repeat Verse...

Chorus... Amazing Love, how can it be that You, my King, would die for me? Amazing Love, I know it's true; it's my joy to honor You; in all I do, I honor You.

Repeat Verse and Chorus...

Bridge... You are my King. You are my King. Jesus, You are my King. Jesus, You are my King.

Repeat Chorus and Bridge, then... Amazing Love!!!

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(Please stand)

INVOCATION

P. In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen

--CONFESSION OF SINS

P. Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C. Most merciful God, in Your kindness and love You have saved us. You've rescued us from the coldness of our sin. Yet, we still struggle to share Your warmth in our daily living. Our thoughts don't always follow Your thoughts. Our ways often stray from Your ways. We sin against not only You, but against our neighbors, as well. Forgive us, dear Lord. Wrap us securely in Your love and lead us in Your good ways. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

--FORGIVENESS OF SINS

P. Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and for His sake He forgives you. As a called and ordained servant of the Lord, and on His behalf, I say to you, "You are forgiven." In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C. Amen**

--STATEMENT OF WHAT WE BELIEVE

"This I Believe (The Creed)"

Verse 1...Our Father everlasting, the all creating One, God almighty. Through Your Holy Spirit, conceiving Christ the Son, Jesus our Savior.

Chorus...

I believe in God our Father, I believe in Christ the Son. I believe in the Holy Spirit, Our God is three in One. I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again. For I believe in the name of Jesus.

Verse 2... Our Judge and our Defender, suffered and crucified, forgiveness is in You.

Descended into darkness, You rose in glorious life, forever seated high. Chorus...

Chorus 2...

I believe in life eternal, I believe in the virgin birth. I believe in the saints' communion and in Your holy church. I believe in the resurrection, when Jesus comes again. For I believe in the name of Jesus. For I believe in the name of Jesus.

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(Please sit)

--FIRST LESSON Genesis 12:1-9

(See insert page)

L. Here ends the first reading.

--SECOND LESSON Romans 4:1-8, 13-17

(See insert page)

L. Here ends the second reading.

(Please stand)

--GOSPEL LESSON John 3:1-17

(See insert page)

P. Here ends the reading of the Gospel.

(Please sit)

--FLS CHILDREN SING "To the Hills I Lift My Eyes"

--CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

--OFFERING / MESSAGE SONG

"Wonderful, Merciful Savior" (Titus 3:4-6)

Verse 1...Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend; Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men? Oh, You rescue the souls of men.

Verse 2...Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace; You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way, Oh, we hopelessly lost the way.

Verse 3...Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own; Here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne, Oh, we're falling before Your throne.

Chorus...You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore. You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for, Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

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--MESSAGE OF THE DAY

"A LATE-NIGHT DISCUSSION" (Text: John 3:1-17)

The Rev. John Meyer

(Please stand)

--PRAYERS

(Sung at beginning of prayers)

"The Spirit Intercedes For Us" (Romans 8:26)

The Spirit intercedes for us, With sighs too deep for words to express, oh, oh, oh.

The pastor will conclude the prayers with: "Holy Spirit, in our weakness, help us to pray..."

(Sung at end of the prayers)

"The Spirit Intercedes For Us" (Romans 8:26)

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P. Let us pray as our Savior taught us...

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen

--WORDS OF INSTITUTION

--SONGS FOR DISTRIBUTION "Come As You Are"

(Psalm 55:22; Matthew 11:28; James 5:19-20; Hebrews 6:19a; 1 Timothy 4:10; 1 Peter 5:7)

Verse 1... Come out of sadness from wherever you've been, come brokenhearted; let rescue begin. Come find your mercy, oh sinner come kneel, earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal.

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