

Order of Worship for 8/13/23

10:00am CST

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The flowers today are in celebration of Tammy & Rob Wenz's 43rd wedding anniversary on August 23rd from Joel, Nejra, Myla, Mason; Rachel & Garrett; Amy, Rob and Ella. We love you and hope you have another wonderful year together!

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God has forgiven us and drawn us close,

All: reconciling us through Jesus Christ,

One: who has lavished upon us the fullness of the blessed Holy Spirit

All: With glad and grateful hearts, praise the Lord!

OPENING PRAYER (all)

Lord Jesus, Son of God, your blessings know no boundaries that faith cannot cross. Strengthen us to trust in your mercy, reach out for your healing, and receive your reconciliation. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN 417**

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

1 Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord and precious,
Binding all the church in one;
Holy Zion's help forever,
And our confidence alone.

2 To this temple, where we call You,
Come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
With Your wonted lovingkindness
Hear Your people as they pray.
And Your fullest benediction
Shed within its walls always.

3 Here bestow to all Your servants
What they ask of You to gain,
What they gain from You forever
With the blessed to retain,
And hereafter in Your glory
Evermore with You to reign.

4 Laud and honor to the Father,
Laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit,
Ever Three and ever one;
One in might and one in glory
While unending ages run.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (all)**

**Holy God, we confess we have not been obedient to your will for us.
We have sought justice for ourselves but neglected justice for others.
We have insisted on our rights but have not lived rightly in our
relationships. We have desired mercy for our sins, but we have not
offered mercy to those who have sinned against us.
By the power of your Holy Spirit free us from the prison of our
disobedience. Help us to love as you have loved us that our lives may
testify to your abounding grace through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: In the name of Jesus Christ,
All: We are forgiven.

***HYMN #2026**

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah
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Halle Hallelujah

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 67:1-7
Old Testament page 529

SCRIPTURE LESSON –

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

Matthew 15:10-28
New Testament Page 17

SERMON

Pastor TJ Shirley

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and
release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the
world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the
power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #440**

In Christ There is No East and West

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY CALL & OFFERTORY MUSIC

PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING

****DOXOLOGY #592***

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

SENT IN GOD'S NAME

****CLOSING HYMN #358***

Help Us Accept Each Other

1 Help us accept each other
As Christ accepted us;
Teach us as sister, brother,
Each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us
And bring us to believe
We are ourselves accepted
And meant to love and live.

2 Teach us, O Lord, Your lessons,
As in our daily life
We struggle to be human
And search for hope and faith
Teach us to care for people,
For all, not just for some,
To love them as we find them
Or as they may become.

3 Let Your acceptance change us,
So that we may be moved
In living situations
To do the truth in love;
To practice Your acceptance
Until we know by heart
The table of forgiveness
And laughter's healing art.

4 Lord, for today's encounters
With all who are in need,
Who hunger for acceptance,
For righteousness and bread,
We need new eyes for seeing,
New hands for holding on:
Renew us with Your Spirit;
Lord, free us, make us one!

**BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE

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