



Order of Worship

Sunday, October 25, 2026

"The main thing Jesus has asked me to do is to love God and my neighbor as religiously as I love myself."

—Barbara Brown Taylor, *Holy Envy*

Order of Worship — 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Notes: Worshipers are asked to join in the sections marked in **bold**. The *asterisk invites all who are able to stand. And, as always, please silence your cell phones.

Prelude

Laurel Sanders, organ

Variations on THAXTED –

Introduction and Theme

Tom Trenney (b. 1977)

Tune by Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

Gathering Around the Word

Concerns of the Church

Rev. Dr. Mike Morgan

Pulpit Pitches

Kerry Jensen

Anne Cioffi

Introit

WPC Chancel Choir

Come, Everyone

Laurel Sanders (b. 1984)

*Call to Worship

Rev. Paula Mann

Lord, you have been our home from one generation to the next.

Before the mountains existed, before the earth was formed, you were already there.

You have always been God,
and you always will be.

*Hymn 305

Verses 1, 2, & 4

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

[DARWALL'S 148TH]

*Confessions of the Body of Christ

Jesus, you teach us to love God with all our heart, soul, and mind, and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

**We confess that loving doesn't always come easily.
We say we love you, but our words and actions don't
always reflect that love.**

You call us to love not only when it's easy, but also when it's difficult.

Forgive us when we put ourselves first, when we fail to listen, and when we turn away from those who need our care. Help us receive your love, and teach us to share it with others. Amen.

***Silent Individual Confession**

***Declaration of Pardon**

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Let us extend God's peace to one another with these ancient words:

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Message

Marin Miller, Director of Children & Family Ministries

Children and Youth are dismissed to Sunday School

Anthem

Adoramus Te

Composer: Wolfgang Mozart (1756-1791)
Attributed to Quirino Gasparini
(1721-1778)

"We adore Thee, O Christ, and we
bless Thee, who by Thy Holy Cross
hast redeemed the world."

First Lesson

Graham Beattie

Leviticus 19:1–2, 15–18; O.T., page 102

***Hymn 70**

**What Does the Lord
Require of You?**

[MOON]

Choral Call to Prayer

Verse 1: Choir

*Verse 2: Congregation
may join*

Hear Our Prayer

Music: Dan Redfeld (b. 1970)

Lyrics: Christina Harding &
John Gabriel Koladziej

**Lord above us hear our plea:
from our sorrows set us free.
This we humbly ask of thee –
grant us peace, oh Lord.**

**Lord above us hear our plea:
from our sorrows set us free.
This we humbly ask of thee –
grant us peace, Lord, hear our prayer.
Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Jake Putich, Director of Faith Formation & Creation Care

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.

Anthem

The Heart Worships

Composer: Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

Choral Setting: Channing Lefebvre

Second Lesson

Matthew 22:34-40; N.T., page 23

Meditation

Love Lives Here

Bearing the Word Into the World

*Hymn 203

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love
[CHEREPONI]

*Benediction

Response

Amen

Paul Mealor (b. 1975)

Postlude

Rejoice, the Lord is King!

Joyce Jones (1933-2022)

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Coffee Fellowship

Following worship, please join us for fellowship on the Side Porch for refreshments. We invite you to take a turn sponsoring the fellowship hour! You can select your sponsorship date on the Bulletin Board after worship or on our website at westwoodpres.org.



Parking

*Parking is available in the church lot as well as next door at the AVCO/iPic theater parking garage. Following worship, pick up a **FREE** validation card from an usher before returning to the parking structure.*