

Early Service

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 100)

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P: Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

L: Know that the Lord is God.

P: It is he who made us, and we are his: we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

L: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;

P: Give thanks to him and praise his name.

***OPENING PRAYER**

***HYMNS** "O Worship the King" No. 104 & "He Will Hold Me Fast"

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful and gracious God, You sent Jesus Christ to save the lost. We confess our hearts and minds are twisted by pride. We see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love. We have forgotten to be just. We have forsaken Your truth. Have mercy on us, O God, and forgive us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation. Empower us to live in Your grace. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Silent Confession)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***CONFESSION RESPONSE:** "You Are My Hiding Place" No. 700

OFFERTORY

***OFFERING RESPONSE:** "He Is Exalted"

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Galatians 5:13-18

ANTHEM "We Are Called" By: Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Ecclesiastes 4:1-12

SERMON "The Weight of Injustice" Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***HYMN** "Take My Life" No. 597

POSTLUDE Debbe Picerno

Late Service

WELCOME

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***HYMNS** "How Great Thou Art"
"Who You Say I Am"

OFFERTORY "Goodness of God" By: Susan Randall

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ANTHEM "I Will Lift My Eyes" By: Susan Randall

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***HYMN** "He Will Hold Me Fast"

POSTLUDE Susan Randall

*Those who are able please stand.

Thank you to this morning's volunteers!

**Greeters: Pam Greb
Welcome Desk: Pat Lazare & Tonya Reynolds**

**Fellowship Hour: The Werths
Liturgist: Julie Freehling**

<u>THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR</u>		
Sunday:	8:45 AM	Early Service
	10 AM	Sunday School
	11 AM	Late Service
Tuesday:	1 PM	Quilting
Wednesday:	9 AM	Coffee & Conversation
	5:30-7 PM	Faith & Fellowship
	7 PM	Choir

MEALS ON WHEELS- We will be collecting desserts for Meals on Wheels on March 22nd. Please have your desserts wrapped and freezer ready. Sign up in the fellowship room.

FAITH & FELLOWSHIP NIGHTS- Will continue every Wednesday night with dinner served at 5:30 PM and bible study for all ages from 6:15-7 PM.

GOOD FRIDAY BREAKFAST- The Mission Committee will begin serving breakfast at 7 AM on Friday, April 3rd followed by a live speed painting performance by George Williams at 8 AM. This is a community outreach event, so please invite your friends and neighbors.

EASTER FLOWERS- Orders are due today for Easter flowers. Please place your order forms in the box outside the church office.

YOUTH GROUP MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER- Stop by the fundraiser table, choose an envelope, fill it with the amount on the front, & return it to the box. Thank you for being part of the mission!

PALM SUNDAY- On Sunday, March 29th we will have our Palm Sunday services at 8:45 & 11 AM with an All Church brunch and Little Jesus Scavenger Hunt during the fellowship hour in between. (10 AM)

HOME COMMUNION CLASS- Tim Rausch will be holding an informational meeting for anyone interested in helping with home communion at 12 PM on Sunday, April 12th. Please see Tim for more information.

55+ DINNER- Our Deacons will be hosting a 55+ dinner on Thursday, April 30th at 6 PM in fellowship hall. There is a signup sheet for an approximate count.

CHURCH MERCH STORE- We have opened an online clothing store for Meridian ministries. A portion of each sale will benefit Hearts & Hammers. The store is open until April 5th and pickup will be after April 25th at the church.



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March 15th, 2026
“The Weight of Injustice”
Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin