



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

NOVEMBER 9, 2025

PRELUDE “Eternal Father, Strong to Save” (Shackley)

***INTROIT** “We Have Come to Join in Worship” (#647 vs. 1-3)

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The joy of the Lord is our strength!

**People: God’s joy wells up within us,
renewing our hearts and lifting our spirits.**

One: Though we may come weary or burdened, God’s joy meets us here.

**People: In laughter and in tears, in work and in rest—
God’s joy sustains us.**

One: Let us come before the Lord with thanksgiving and praise.

All: For the joy of the Lord is our strength! Thanks be to God!

***OPENING SONG** “The Joy” (Davis/Wong)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,
you offer endless compassion and grace.
We confess the times we withheld forgiveness from others.
In your suffering, you canceled our debts of sin,
but we cling to old grievances and nurse wounded pride.
Forgive us, Lord.
Through the Holy Spirit,
soften our hearts and free us from resentment.
Teach us again the joy of your salvation,
so we may live as grateful and generous people,
reflecting the grace of Jesus Christ, our Savior,
in whose name we pray. Amen.

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** “Just As I Am” (#354 vs. 1,3,4)

*PASSING THE PEACE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

“All We Like Sheep” (Handel)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy Spirit,
open our hearts and minds
to the lessons taught by our Savior, Jesus Christ.
Give us fresh ears to hear these parables
so we may gain understanding
and act in your way, not our own.
We pray in the name of our Triune God,
Creator, Savior and Advocate. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 18:23-35 (Pew Bible pg. 907)

MESSAGE Parables of Jesus:
“The Unforgiving Servant”

***SONG OF RESPONSE** “In Christ Alone”

OFFERING & MUSICAL OFFERING “Ani Ma’amin” (arr. Leavitt)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE On Screens

THE LORD’S PRAYER

***CLOSING SONG** “Living Hope”

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “God of Our Fathers” (McDonald)

*Please stand if able

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camera view is available—ask usher for assistance.

To Give:

