



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

PRELUDE "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"
(Emma Lou Diemer)

INTROIT "Nothing Left to Say"
(Joseph Martin)

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 104)
Leader: God, my God, how great you are! beautifully, gloriously robed, dressed up in sunshine, and all heaven stretched out for your tent.

All: You built your palace on the ocean deeps, made a chariot out of clouds and took off on wind-wings. You commandeered winds as messengers, appointed fire and flame as ambassadors.

Leader: You set earth on a firm foundation so that nothing can shake it, ever. You blanketed earth with ocean, covered the mountains with deep waters.

All: All the wild animals now drink their fill, wild donkeys quench their thirst. Along the riverbanks the birds build nests, ravens make their voices heard.

Leader: What a wildly wonderful world, God! You made it all, with Wisdom at your side, made earth overflow with your wonderful creations.

All: All the creatures look expectantly to you to give them their meals on time. You come, and they gather around; you open your hand and they eat from it.

Leader: Oh, let me sing to God all my life long, sing hymns to my God as long as I live!

All: Oh, let my song please him; I'm so pleased to be singing to God.

OPENING HYMN "All Creatures of Our God and King"
(#23 vs. 1,2,3,5)

SONG OF THANKSGIVING "Goodness of God"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
Lord, as we hear your holy word today, help us shed the superficial labels that separate us. Remind us of our connection to your universal family so

we might hear your truths a one member of your body, bearing in mind the needs and desires of our Christian family members, as we gain wisdom and understanding from our heavenly parent. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Galatians 4:4-7

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"
(Craig Courtney)

MESSAGE Living in Forgiveness:
"Slave or Free"

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING "No Longer Slaves"
(Helser/Johnson/Case)

CLOSING SONG "In Christ Alone/Solid Rock"

CLOSING PRAYER

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Toccata"
(David H. Hegarty)

Preaching Pastor **Geoff Kohler**
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Audio **Riley McKenna**
Lighting **Jerry Carlton**
Slides **Richard Lin**
Streaming **Lee & Berdi Meehan**
Praise Team **Joey Carano**

Ensembles **Pete Harrison**
Nathan Hubbard
Carol Wood
Scott Wood
Chancel Choir
Grace Notes
Scripture Reader **Paul Marx**

TO GIVE:

