



Order for Worship

10:00 AM, December 28, 2025

Special Music – Lunde Family

Christmas All Year Long

Announcements

- **Welcome Visitors!** Please fill out the visitors' card from the pew rack in front of you and place it in an offering plate near the exits of the sanctuary.
- **Nursery Care** is available during worship for children three and under.
- **Sunday School:** age 4 through grade 12 begins after Children's Time.
- **New Members' Class:** If you are interested in joining RPPC or in learning more about us, please join our new members' class which will be held between services on Sunday mornings, January 11 – February 8.
- **Women's Bible Study** will resume meeting on January 15 from 6:30 – 8 pm in Friendship Hall then continue meeting each Thursday through February 26. They will be studying "The Armor of God" with Priscilla Shirer. Sign up at <https://bit.ly/RPPC-ArmorofGod> where you will also find information on ordering the book. We hope you will join us!
- **Men's Bible Study** will resume meeting on January 8 from 6:30 – 8 pm in the church parlor. All men are invited to join!
- **Rooted** is an opportunity to go deeper in your relationship with God. It will be held at 7pm Tuesdays, beginning January 13. Find more information about Rooted in the back of the sanctuary and if you have any questions, Tom Horne would be happy to answer them.
- **January Mission Collection:** We are collecting new or gently used winter coats, hats, gloves, and hoodies for Chester Eastside and CityTeam. Donations may be placed in the wooden collection box in Friendship Hall.

- **Blanket Squares:** Check the outreach bulletin board for information on how to make 8" x 8" blanket squares used to make blankets for those in need.
- **Financial Update:** Giving has been down since September, which was a particularly low month. Please help us to make up the shortfall with end-of-year giving.
- **2026 Offering Envelopes:** Please pick up your box of envelopes from the table in the hallway across from Friendship Hall.

Opening Prayer

Song Adore

1. You stepped down from heaven, humbly, you came.
God of all creation here with us.
In a starlit manger, Emmanuel,
Light of the world here to save.

Chorus

*Adore, come let us adore, O come, let us adore Him!
The Lord, worship Christ the Lord. Let all that is within us adore.*

2. Wisemen bring their treasures, shepherds bow low,
Angel voices sing of peace on earth.
What have I to offer to heaven's King?
I will bring my life, my love, my all.

Chorus

Bridge 2x

Angels sing, praises ring to the newborn King.
Peace on earth here with us, joy awakening. At Your feet, we fall.

Chorus

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Affirmation of Faith

Lectionary Journey, based on John 1:1-5

We believe that in the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God. We believe that Christ was in the beginning with God and that all things came into being through him, and that without him not one thing came into being. We believe that in him was life and the life was the light of all people. We believe the light shines in the darkness and the darkness did not overcome it.

Hymn #321

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

1. When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss and pour contempt on all my pride.
2. Forbid it Lord that I should boast save in the death of Christ my God

All the vain things that charm me most I sacrifice them to His blood.

3. See from His head His hands His feet sorrow and love flow mingled down
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet or thorns compose so rich a crown?
4. Were the whole realm of nature mine that were a present far too small
Love so amazing so divine demands my soul my life my all.

Children's Time

Sue Rea

Hymn #305

Jesus Paid It All

1. I hear the Savior say: "Thy strength indeed is small,
Child of weakness, watch and pray; Find in Me thine all in all."
Jesus paid it all; All to Him I owe,
Sin had left a crimson stain; He washed it white as snow
2. Lord, now indeed I find Thy power and Thine alone
Can change the leper's spots and melt the heart of stone.
Jesus paid it all; All to Him I owe,
Sin had left a crimson stain; He washed it white as snow
3. For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim
I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary's Lamb.
Jesus paid it all; all to Him I owe,
Sin had left a crimson stain; He washed it white as snow
4. And when before the throne I stand in him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save," My lips shall still repeat.
Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe,
Sin had left a crimson stain; He washed it white as snow.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Mark 14:22-26

²² While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take it; this is my body."

²³ Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it.

²⁴ "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them.

²⁵ "Truly I tell you, I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

²⁶ When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Congregational Prayer

Song

Death Was Arrested

1. Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin,
Lost without hope with no place to begin;
Your love made a way to let mercy come in,
When death was arrested and my life began.

Chorus

Oh, your grace, so free, washes over me.
You have made me new, now life begins with You.
It's Your endless love pouring down on us.
You have made us new, now life begins with You.

2. Released from my chains, I'm a prisoner no more.
My shame was a ransom He faithfully bore.
He cancelled my debt and He called me His friend,
When death was arrested and my life began.
3. Our Savior displayed on a criminal's cross.
Darkness rejoiced as though Heaven had lost.
But then Jesus arose with our freedom in hand.
That's when death was arrested and my life began.

Bridge 2x

Oh we're free, free; forever we're free. Come join the song of all the redeemed.
Yes, we're free, free; forever, amen! When death was arrested and my life began.

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Benediction

Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace, who brought up from the dead the great Shepherd of the sheep through the blood of the eternal covenant, that is, Jesus our Lord, equip you in every good thing to do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Closing Hymn #815

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host. Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.