



**In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains
are his also.**

**The sea is his, for he made it,
and the dry land, which his
hands have formed.**

Psalm 95:4-5

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Order of Worship

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Where you see an asterisk (), please rise in body or spirit.*

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC (10:30) — Sonata No. 2 in C Minor: Largo — J. S. Bach

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: Friends, this is the day that the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

PRELUDE — “Lobe den Herren” (“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”) — J. G. Walther

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, let us sing out loud to the Lord!

People: Let us raise a joyful shout to the rock of our salvation!

Leader: Let us come before him with thanks!

People: Let us shout songs of joy!

Leader: Come, let us worship and bow down! Let us kneel before the Lord, our maker!

People: For the Lord is our God, and we are the people of his pasture,
the sheep in his hands.

*OPENING PRAYER

***OPENING HYMN #35 — “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty” (8:30 vv. 1 and 3)**

WE CONFESS OUR SINS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

SILENT CONFESSION and KYRIE — #575

Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA — #583 “Glory to God”

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia.

*PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

CHILDREN’S MOMENT (10:30 only)

MINISTRY OF MUSIC (10:30 only) — “O Lord, Thou Hast Searched and Known Me”

— Eugene Butler

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING — Psalm 95:1-7a — Common English Bible

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING — John 4:21-24 — pg. 95 in NT

THIRD SCRIPTURE READING — Romans 12:1-2 — pg. 161 in NT

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*HYMN #288 — “Spirit of the Living God” (10:30 only)

Sing three times

OFFERING

Offertory (8:30) — “Spirit of the Living God” — Daniel Iverson

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(10:30) — “And Can It Be” — Dan Forrest

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***Doxology — #607**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise triune God whom we adore. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

COMMUNION

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Hymn #562 — Holy, Holy, Holy (seated)

WE DEPART IN JOY TO SERVE

***SENDING HYMN #526 — “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION — “Day by Day” — Martin How**

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***POSTLUDE — “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty” — Paul Manz**

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The Rev. Dr. Neil Weatherhogg, *Pastor Emeritus*

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Susan Rowell (10:30)

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