

9:00AM Worship Guide

Word & Table: Our Basic Pattern for Worship

GATHERING

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

We begin with a responsive “call to worship” that draws from the Book of Psalms.

SINGING

An opening hymn or song of praise.

AN OPENING PRAYER

A prayer inspired by the theme and scripture of the day.

THE PEACE

We greet those around us, sharing signs of peace. The traditional greeting: “Peace be with you.”

SINGING

SCRIPTURE READING

We hear and reflect upon the morning’s scripture.

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Children are invited forward for a lesson inspired by the reading. Object lessons, illustrations, and music are often included in this teaching moment.

SERMON

The pastor or another speaker offers a reflection on the scripture reading.

INVITATION & RESPONSE

A time to respond to God as we feel led. As musicians lead us in song, those gathered for worship may:

- quietly reflect or pray;
- come forward to pray at the kneeling rails;
- light a candle to signify a special prayer, to honor a loved one, or to simply acknowledge the presence of the Holy Spirit;
- submit connect cards and prayer requests;
- present our gifts (offerings & tithes).
 - *Offerings and connect cards may be placed in baskets at the front or back of the sanctuary.*



CONNECT



GIVE

DOXOLOGY

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow...”

We sing this ancient hymn of praise, as we prepare for communion.

COMMUNION

*A traditional prayer known as “**The Great Thanksgiving**” is offered. The communion bread and “wine” (grape juice) are blessed. We pray **The Lord’s Prayer** together. All are invited to receive the sacrament. We conclude with a prayer of gratitude.*

A CLOSING SONG

[ANNOUNCEMENTS]

Brief announcements may be shared, including ways to engage in the life of the church, points of celebration, opportunities to serve in the community, etc.

BENEDICTION

A final “good word” and blessing:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all ever more. Amen.