

GOD GATHERS US

Preparation for Worship

Dear Heavenly Father, I desire to learn how to worship you as you deserve. Help me, Lord, to grow into the sort of worshipper that you are seeking, one who worships you in spirit and truth. I pray that my life may be one that honors you in all I say and all I do, in all the circumstances of life, throughout the day and as I drift into sleep at night. Lord, I pray that I may learn to walk in all your ways, to serve with all my being, and to learn to love you as you have loved me. Teach me, Lord, how to worship you in the beauty of holiness so that I may be one that bows my heart before you in spirit and truth, to your honor and glory. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.

Prelude Lord I Lift Your Name On High
arr. Wagner

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

***Opening Prayer**

***Opening Hymn #487** *When Morning Gilds the Skies*

Call to Confession

Moment of Silent Confession
Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri #579**

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Relinquishment Testimony: Sallie Hooker

Prayer for Illumination

***Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:5-15 (NT, pp. 5-6)**

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Sermon *How Do I Respond When I'm Hurt or Offended?*
Pastor Mike Parker

WE RESPOND

Special Music Be Kind and Be Tender
arr. Daniels
Carol Keil, *soloist*

Prayers of the People

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Compassion Sunday

***Closing Prayer/Sending**

***Blessing**

***The Peace**

May the peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you!

Postlude

**Please stand, as able*