

Lakewood Presbyterian Church

Order of Service for the Worship of God

September 11, 2022

10:00 am

Preparation for Worship

The Gathering

Shine, Jesus Shine

Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us;
set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me; shine on me.

Refrain

Shine, Jesus, shine;
fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze;
set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow;
flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word, Lord,
and let there be light.

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance;
by the blood I may enter your brightness.
Search me; try me; consume all my darkness.
Shine on me; shine on me. (Refrain)

As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
so our faces display your likeness;
ever changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me; shine on me. (Refrain)

Ancient Words

Holy words long preserved
For our walk in this world,
They resound with God's own heart.
Oh, let the ancient words impart.
Words of life, words of hope
Give us strength, help us cope
In this world, where'er we roam
Ancient words will guide us home.

Chorus:

Ancient words ever true
Changing me changing you.
We have come with open hearts
O let the ancient words impart.

Holy words of our faith
Handed down to this age.
Came to us through sacrifice
Oh, heed the faithful words of Christ.
Holy words long preserved
For our walk in this world,
They resound with God's own heart.
Oh, let the ancient words impart.

(Chorus)

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Invocation

Brian Mitchell, Liturgist

*Call to Worship

One: Welcome home, welcome in.

All: Here we find a song for our souls and healing for our wounds.

One: Welcome home.

All: Here we find laughter that chases dark clouds away, and quiet prayers that lead us to still waters and green pastures.

One: Welcome to this holy space.

All: Here there are friends with a tender embrace, and here there are words that heal brokenness and reveal God's grace.

One: Welcome home. God has been expecting you. Welcome to this festival of renewal and hope.

*Hymn of Praise

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Hymn #1

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

***Unison Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, we confess that we constantly need your grace and help. We don't have all the answers; we don't always make the right choices; we have so much to learn still. In your kindness, you provide leaders, teachers, and friends to help us find your way. Forgive us for those times when we have been unteachable and stubborn in our ways. Forgive us for the times when we have allowed ourselves to become isolated from the Body of Christ and forfeited the gifts and growth that come through life in community. Through your grace, we recommit our lives to you and to each other. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end.
Amen, amen.



The Children's Time

Dottie Fletcher

The Act of Offering

Offertory

The Majesty of Your Name
LPC Chancel Choir

Tom Fettke

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

***Prayer of Dedication**

The Word of God Proclaimed

Scripture

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16
Hebrews 13:7

Sermon

Faithful Leadership

Rev. Joy Laughridge

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

***Hymn of Commitment**

The Church's One Foundation
(vs 1, 2, 4, & 5)

Hymn #321

The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord.
She is his new creation
by water and the word.
From heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy bride.
With his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation:
one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with every grace endued.

Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace forevermore:
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth has union
with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly,
may live eternally.

Blessing and Benediction

***Benediction**

The Lord Bless You and Keep You
LPC Chancel Choir

Peter Lutkin

***Postlude**

The Rejoicing

G. F. Handel

***Indicates Congregation Standing**

Duty Elders for September:

Nancy Carlton
Debbie Wallace
Karen Green

Liturgist:

Brian Mitchell

Instrumentalists:

Marshall Mayer, Bass
Dan Pratt, Percussion
Stephen Fennell, Keyboard
Steve Strawley, Trumpet
Ace Martin, Trumpet

Senior Pastor:

Rev. Joy Laughridge

Director of Youth & Christian Education:

Brian Mitchell

Director of Music:

Tony Testino

Parish Associate:

Rev. Vickie Bossuot

The Floral Arrangement in the Chancel this morning is given by Kathy Saig and Richie Saig in memory of Richard Saig, Sr.



Monday, 9/12

- 6:30 pm - Chair Yoga in Benz Hall

Wednesday, 9/14

- 6 pm - Wednesday Night Dinner - Back to School Bingo Bash
- 7 pm - Inquirer's Class in the Coleman Room

Saturday, 9/17

- 9:30 am - Bag Ladies in Benz Hall

Sunday, 9/18

- 8 am - 1 pm - Blood Drive
- Congregational Meeting in the sanctuary following the service
- Coffee & Conversations immediately following the service in Benz Hall

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LPC FAITHFULNESS REPORT
JUNE 30, 2022 YTD (preliminary)

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE
REVENUES*	\$272,250	\$285,530	\$13,280
EXPENSES	\$267,351	\$274,515	(\$7,164)
INCOME	\$4,898	\$11,015	\$6117

	Available	Notes
Window Replacement Fund	\$32,000	
Irrigation & Landscaping Fund	\$21,000	If not needed for windows
Designated Capital Reserves	\$16,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parking lot resurfacing • Exterior door replacement
Undesignated Capital Reserves	\$13,500	

- The Finance Ministry