

The Lord's Day – August 9th, 2026

"The liberty that Christ purchased is not permission to indulge but power to obey. Whenever a theology loosens the restraints of God's moral law under the banner of freedom, we should recognize that the destination of that road is captivity, not liberation. Let us treasure the obedience that flows from grace, for in it we find our truest freedom."

Thursday, August 6th, 2026, *Tabletalk*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Daren Dietmeier

PRELUDE – "My Worth Is Not In What I Own"

Trinity Choir

Words & Music by Graham Kendrick, Keith & Kristyn Getty - Arranged by David Angerman

God Calls Us to Worship Him (Ps. 34:1-3)

CALL TO WORSHIP – Revelation 4:9-11

Elder Dale Boswell

* OPENING HYMN - "Thou Art Worthy"

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PRAYER OF INVOCATION

LORD'S PRAYER

"Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen."

The Confession of our Faith (Rom. 10:10)

THE WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM – Question # 30

LEADER: How does the Holy Spirit apply to us the redemption Christ bought?

PEOPLE: **The Spirit applies to us the redemption Christ bought by producing faith in us and so uniting us to Christ in our effective calling.**

The Confession of our Sin (1 John 1:8 & 9)

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN - "Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned –"

(Romans 5:12)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

Almighty God, to know you is the fulfilment of our deepest longings and satisfaction of our most ardent desires. Yet foolishly we have sought our pleasures elsewhere. We have put the seeking of idols, which are bound to leave us feeling empty, above seeking you. We have failed to love you with

all our heart, soul and mind. We have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us for our sins and grant that from now on we might serve you in newness of life. We pray these things in the name of your most precious son, Jesus Christ, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDONING GRACE - "What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us." (Romans 8:31-34)

* HYMN OF RESPONSE - # 479 – "Softly & Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" OS

The Collection (2 Corinthians 9:6-8)

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Elder Boswell

OFFERTORY – "I Want to Be Where You Are"

Lorrie Crose

By Don Moen & Arranged by Mark Hayes

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE - # 434 – "Lord, Thou Lov'st the Chreerful Giver"
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The Ministry of the Word (Is. 55:11)

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Dietmeier

SERMON TEXT – The Gospel According to Matthew 18:1-5

SERMON - **"The Greatest in the Kingdom"**

Pastor Daren Dietmeier

Sermon Series "Jesus: Messiah, Redeemer, & King"

* HYMN OF RESPONSE – # 353 - "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

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* THE BENEDICTION

* THE POSTLUDE

(* - The congregation is invited to stand, if able.)

"Thank God you've come!"

As Benedictine monks greeted strangers who came to their door, we welcome all visitors to our worship service today. Please fill out one of the cards in the pew and place it in the offering plate, or sign the visitor's book. We look forward to seeing you again soon!