



welcome to worship
JULY 23, 2017



SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study
10:30 a.m.	Family Worship Service
12:00 noon	Fellowship Hour
1:00 p.m.	Choir Practice

WORSHIP SERVICE

July 23, 2017
Ordinary Time

After the church year cycles of Advent/Christmas/Epiphany and Lent/Easter/Pentecost, we enter a period called "Ordinary Time." In the context of the church year the term "ordinary" does not mean usual or average; it means "not seasonal." The liturgy of Ordinary Time help to instruct us on how to live out our Christian faith in our daily lives. The color for this season of growth is green.

Prelude

Words of Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

*Call to Worship from Psalm 9:1-2

*We will give thanks to you, O LORD, with our whole heart;
we will tell of all your wonderful deeds.*

**We will be glad and exult in you;
we will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

Praise

*Songs of Praise: "Blessed Be Your Name" (#353)

"Shout to the Lord" (#603)

"Is it You?"

*God's Greeting

*Hymn of Adoration: "Come, Thou Almighty King" (#492 vs. 1-4)

Renewal

Prayer of Confession from Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24

O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.

You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?

If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.

If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.

If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts.

See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon from Romans 8:12-25

Friends, this is the good news!

Thanks be to God!

Hymn of Thanksgiving: "Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns" (#261 vs. 1-5)

RESPONSE

Prayers of the People

Offering: Bethany Christian Services

***Offering Response:** "Have We Any Gift Worth Giving?" (#872 vs. 1)

A Word to Children of All Ages

PROCLAMATION

Scripture: I Kings 18:16-40 (p. 373)

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

Sermon: Elijah's Power Encounter

***Hymn of Response:** "God of the Prophets" (#853 vs. 1-5)

SENDING

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Go in peace, in the knowledge of God's power.

Go in confidence, in the knowledge of God's strength.

Go in joy, in the knowledge of God's love.

***Benediction**

***Doxology:** "Now Blessed Be the Lord Our God" (#953 vs. 1)

Postlude

* Please stand if you are able.

Please note: All songs are from the "Lift Up Your Hearts" Hymnal unless otherwise noted.

Participants:

Speaker: Mark Hewitt

Music: Dave and Carol May

Pianist: Keiko Pederson