

# **Preparation for Worship**

Please join us in singing the Gathering Songs to prepare our hearts for worship.

**The Gathering**Build My Life
Pat Barrett

Verse 1

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe We live for You

Verse 2

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name Jesus the only one who could ever save Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe We live for You, We live for You

Chorus

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder
and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

Bridge

I will build my life upon Your love It is a firm foundation I will put my trust in You alone And I will not be shaken

#### **Welcome & Announcements**

**Prelude** Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring arr. Mazur

\*Prayer of Invocation Marci Edwards

\*Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: Come, gather together and let us give God praise.

People: Let us sing of God's love and God's amazing grace.

Leader: May we give God praise for God's forgiveness and mercy.

People: Let us sing of God's justice and compassion.

Leader: May we give God praise for all the wondrous acts from God to all the earth's people.

People: Let us sing of our praises to God and worship God with our hearts and minds fully.

#### \*Hymn of Praise

#### Guide me O Thou Great Jehovah

- 1) Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but thou art mighty. Hold me with thy powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
- 2) Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.
- 3) When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.
  Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.
  Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee;
  I will ever give to thee.

## \*Unison Prayer of Confession

Shepherd Lord, we come, the little lambs of your flock in need of mercy and grace. You have already given us the kingdom. We can already be reconciled to our enemies. We are already free to act justly. We can already live generously, but we confess that we are susceptible to the influence of fear mongers and doomsayers. They would have us believe that violence brings peace, greed leads to fulfilment, and faith is futile. Deliver us from the influence of evil that appears to us as wisdom, and strengthen the faith that helps us see what is true and helps us truly live. 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 Act of Offering

Offertory Be Thou My Vision arr. Mazur
Chancel Choir

## \*Doxology

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

### \*Prayer of Dedication

#### The Word of God Proclaimed

#### **Children's Time**

## \*Hymn of Preparation

This is My Father's World

1) This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas, his hand the wonders wrought.

2) This is my Father's world.
O, let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world.
The battle is not done:
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
and earth and heaven be one.

**Scripture** 

Hebrews 11:1-3, 6-18 and Luke 12:32-40

Rev. Joy Laughridge

**Sermon** Keep Your Lamps Burning

Response of God's People

## Installation of Elder, Bob Dahl

#### Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

## \*Hymn of Commitment

Christ is Coming!

- 1) Christ is coming! Let creation from its groans and labor cease; let the glorious proclamation hope restore and faith increase: Christ is coming! Christ is coming! Come, O blessed Prince of peace.
- 2) Earth can now but tell the story of your bitter cross and pain; we shall yet behold your glory, Lord, when you return to reign: Christ is coming! Christ is coming! Let each heart repeat the strain.
- 3) With that blessed hope before us, flutes are tuned and harps are strung; let the mighty advent chorus onward roll from tongue to tongue: Christ is coming! Christ is coming! Let each heart repeat the song.

4) Long your exiles have been pining for your promised rest and home, but in heavenly glory shining, soon the risen Christ shall come. Christ is coming! Christ is coming! Joyful, shout the victory psalm.

# **Blessing and Benediction**

#### \*Benediction

PostludeAcclamationDavid German

**Duty Elders for August**Lori Duck

Bob Dahl Arnie Blevins

**Liturgist:** Marci Edwards

Senior Pastor:Rev. Joy LaughridgeDirector of Youth & Christian Education:Brian MitchellDirector of Music & Organist:Joshua Mazur

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Rev. Vickie Bossuot

**Attendance August 3, 2025** In Person: 76; 1st Time Visitors: 0; Online: 27

The flowers in the Chancel are given today by **James and Vickie Robinson** "in honor of our 52<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary".

Roses are Red, Violets are Blue! Through this last year especially, I give thanks for you!



# Monday, August 11

- ➤ Lakewood Preschool First Day!
- > 4:00 pm Chair Yoga Benz Hall

#### **Tuesday, August 12**

6:00 pm – Lakewood Association Mtg.
 Coleman Room

# Friday, August 15

- > 10:00 am Vintage Players Youth Hut
- > 6:00 pm Women in Recovery Youth Hut

# **FamilyPromise**

TUESDAY 9.02

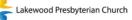
Cookies

**MONDAY 9.01** 

**SUNDAY 8.31** 



WEDNESDAY 9.03



FRIDAY 9.05

SATURDAY 9.06

Sausage, Eggs

THURSDAY 9.04

Breakfast Ideas						
Microway	eable meals such a	as Quaker Oatmeal,	Grits, Cereal & Milk	Breakfast "sticks" -	pancakes and saus	sage on a stick
After School Sna	cks					
Fruit cups, cookies, peanut butter crackers, popsicles, pop tarts, granola bars, juice boxes						
Roast Beef Potatoes Vegetables Pie	Rotisserie Chicken Dinner Mashed potatoes Veggie Casserole	Mexican Night Tacos, Enchilada Pie Salad Cookies	Italian Night Spaghetti or Lasagna or Fettucini Salad Breadsticks	Kids' Night Chicken Nuggets or Sandwiches Brownies	Hot Dogs with all the Fixins' Mac n' Cheese Cake	Breakfast Bonanza for Dinner Pancakes,

All meals need plastic cups and forks

Chocolate Cake

The SERVE Ministry is providing meals for a Family Promise Transitional Home from Sunday, August 31st to Saturday, September 6th. If you would like to contribute meal kits or donations to help, please contact Vickie Robinson at 904.382.8696 or email robinson.vickie@gmail.com. The meals need to be adequate for at least 10-15 people and need to be re-heatable/microwaveable. A box will be in the kitchen for nonperishable food goods on the counter next to the refrigerator. A box in the refrigerator will be for perishable goods. Donations work too! \$75 feeds families for a few days. Vickie will do the shopping and meal prep for those who donate funds. Delivery can be at LPC office before 3 pm, Monday through Thursday, and before 1 pm on Fridays.



Offering comfort, healing, and community For those in grief through a series of Eight Weekly workshops. Thursdays at 6:30 pm September 18th - November 2nd RSVP to info@lpcjax.org for more information

# Announcement: JOY Circle Fall 2025

will begin Tuesday, August 26th @ 7pm in the Coleman Room. The study will be: God's Promise: I Am With You, by Amy Poling Sutherlun with suggestions for study leaders by Brenda Bertrand. Books will be available in the Narthex.





We extend our heartfelt thanks for the recent generous anonymous donation of a robotic camera and tripod to our live streaming production ministry. This gift will help us further elevate the quality of our online worship experience that connects LPC with those near and far. We are truly grateful for your kindness and commitment to our efforts in ministry.