

Lakewood Presbyterian Church

Order of Service for the Worship of God

August 2, 2026

Communion Sunday

10:00 am



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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

THE GATHERING

The Family of God

Bill & Gloria Gaither

Chorus:

I'm so glad I'm a part of the family of God;
I've been washed in the fountain, cleansed by his blood!
Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod,
for I'm a part of the family, the family of God.

1) You will notice we say "brother" and "sister" 'round here;
It's because we're a family and these folks are so near;
When one has a heartache we all share the tears,
and rejoice with each victory in this family so dear.
(Chorus)

2) From the door of an orph'nage to the house of the King;
No longer an outcast, a new song I sing;
From rags unto riches, from the weak to the strong;
I'm not worthy to be here, but praise God I belong.
(Chorus)

The King is Coming

Gaither and Milhuff

1) The market place is empty
No more traffic in the streets
All the builders' tools are silent
No more time to harvest wheat
Busy housewives cease their labors
In the courtroom no debate
Work on earth is all suspended
As the King comes thro' the gate

Chorus:

Oh the King is coming, The King is coming
I just heard the trumpets sounding
And now His face I see
Oh the King is coming, The King is coming
Praise God He's coming for me

2) Happy faces line the hallways
Those whose lives have been redeemed
Broken homes that He has mended
Those from prison He has freed
Little children and the aged
Hand in hand stand all aglow
Who were crippled broken ruined
Clad in garments white as snow (Chorus)

3) I can hear the chariots rumble
I can see the marching throng
The flurry of God's trumpets
Spells the end of sin and wrong
Regal robes are now unfolding
Heaven's grandstands all in place

Heaven's choir is now assembled
Start to sing Amazing Grace (Chorus)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Gentle Shepherd Come and Lead Us

Gaither

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Dan Pratt

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;

People: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Leader: Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;

People: Let us make a joyful noise to Him with Songs of Praise!

All: For the Lord is a great God, and great King above all.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Something Beautiful

Bill & Gloria Gaither

Chorus:

Something beautiful, something good
All my confusion He understood;
All I had to offer Him was brokenness and strife.
But He made something beautiful of my life.

If there ever were dreams that were lofty and noble,
they were my dreams at the start;
And the hopes for life's best were the hopes
that I harbored down deep in my heart;
But my dreams turned to ashes,
my castles all crumbled, my fortune turned to loss;
So I wrapped it all in the rags of my life,
and laid it at the cross. (Chorus)

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Loving Father, Son and Spirit, often we look and see and yet do not perceive your presence all around us. We do not see your hand in the small acts of kindness shown to us. We all too often hear but do not understand the melody played in your Name. Help us to stand still and marvel at the miracles that surround us. Forgive us our inability to recognize your presence and to heed your Word. We long to do better. Help us, Lord. In Jesus' name, 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

The Old Rugged Cross Made the Difference
LPC Praise Band

Bill & Gloria Gaither

***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****SCRIPTURE**

John 2:1-11, Matthew 14:13-21, Luke 8:42b-48

SPECIAL MUSIC

He Touched Me
Laura Young

Bill Gaither

SERMON

He Touched Me

Rev. Vickie Bossuot

***COMMUNION HYMN**

Because He Lives

Bill & Gloria Gaither

1) God sent His Son they called Him Jesus
He came to love heal and forgive
He bled and died to buy my pardon
An empty grave is there to prove
My Savior lives

Chorus:

Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living
Just because He lives

2) How sweet to hold our newborn baby
And feel the pride and joy he gives
But greater still the calm assurance
This child can face uncertain days
Because Christ lives (Chorus)

3) And then one day I'll cross that river
I'll fight life's final war with pain
And then as death gives way to vict'ry
I'll see the lights of glory
And I'll know He reigns (Chorus)

THE WORD PROCLAIMED IN SACRAMENT**Invitation to The Lord's Table****Prayers of Thanksgiving and the 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.

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Prayer After Communion

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

There's Something About That Name

Bill & Gloria Gaither

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus!
There's just something about that name!
Master! Savior! Jesus!
Like a fragrance after the rain.
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus!
Let all heaven and earth proclaim,
Kings and kingdoms will all pass away,
But there's something about that name!

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Because He Lives Reprise

Gaither

Duty Elders for August

Greg Scott
Michael Sullivan
Celia Green

Liturgist:

Dan Pratt

Senior Pastor:

Rev. Joy Laughridge

Director of Youth & Christian Education:

Brian Mitchell

Interim Director of Music and Organist

Deborah DeGrado

Parish Associate:

Rev. Vickie Bossuot

Attendance July 26, 2026

In Person: 83; 1st Time: 0; Online: 54

The flowers in the chancel today are given by **Lori Duck**
in honor and celebration of the birthday of her twin daughters,
Kathryn Nealey Johnson and Kendyl Nealey.

Calendar and Announcements, next page



Upcoming Events

August 2, Sunday

- 10:00 am – Worship – Sanctuary
- 11:00 am – Adult Sun. School – Coleman Rm.

August 3, Monday

- 4:00 pm – Chair Yoga – Benz Hall
- 6:00 pm – SERVE Ministry – Coleman Rm.

August 4, Tuesday

- 10:00 am – PW Coord. Team - Coleman
- 6:00 pm – CARE Member – Benz Hall
- 6:00 pm – CARE Ministry – Benz Hall
- 6:00 pm – CELEBRATE Ministry – Session
- 7:00 pm – LEARN Ministry – via Zoom

August 7, Friday

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

August 8, Saturday

- 9:00 am – LPC Bag Ladies – Benz Hall

More Announcements, next page

BACK TO SCHOOL

FAMILY PROMISE

School starts August 10th
in Duval County!



Family Promise is helping its resident families get ready for school. LPC can help by contributing to the Giving Tree in our Narthex.

Tax-free month for school supplies will be July 20 - August 20.

Suggested Items to Donate:
travel size sanitizer wipes, tissues,
folders any color except black,
pens, sharpies, Kindergarten pencils (fat ones)
and wide ruled paper.



End of Announcements