

ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 24, 2025 — 9 & 11 A.M.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Dr. Gregg Bunn, organ

INTROIT

“I Was Glad When They Said Unto Me”

Charles H.H. Parry

Chancel Choir; Dr. Gregg Bunn, organ; Ryan Jones, director

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Adam Jones

Leader: Brothers and sisters in Christ, we gather today in joy and thanksgiving, to reconsecrate this sacred space—a place set apart for worship, prayer, and the presence of the Living God.

People: How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! Our souls long, yes, faint for the courts of the Lord.

Leader: Here, the Word of God has been proclaimed. Here, the waters of baptism have flowed. Here, bread has been broken, and the cup has been shared. Here, hearts have been healed, lives renewed, and spirits awakened.

People: We return to this place with grateful hearts, remembering God’s faithfulness and looking forward in hope.

Leader: Today, we offer this sanctuary once more to God’s glory—asking that it be a house of grace, a place of peace, a refuge for all who seek the face of Christ.

People: Let this place be holy ground. Let all who enter know they are welcomed in the name of Jesus Christ. Come, Holy Spirit—renew this sanctuary and renew us. We worship You with gladness and thanksgiving. This is the house of the Lord, and we rejoice to be in it!

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 545

“The Church’s One Foundation”

AURELIA

Children, Youth, & Chancel Choirs; JoySound Orchestra; BUMC Ringers; Ryan Jones, director

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI 70**

“Glory Be to the Father”
Children, Youth, & Chancel Choirs

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A WORD OF WELCOME & RECOGNITION

Dr. Davis Chappell

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Rev. Casey Orr

LITANY FOR THE RECONSECRATION OF THE SANCTUARY

Bishop David Graves

Leader: For the worship of God in prayer and praise, for the preaching of the Word, for the celebration of the holy sacraments,

People: We reconsecrate this Sanctuary.

Leader: For the comfort of those who mourn, for the help of those who are perplexed, for the guidance of those who seek strength,

People: We reconsecrate this Sanctuary.

Leader: For the support and nurture of families, for the guidance of children, for the calling of youth to a life of service,

People: We reconsecrate this Sanctuary.

Leader: For guarding against evil, for fostering faithfulness, for making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world,

People: We reconsecrate this Sanctuary.

Leader: For the opening of minds to Your truth, for the care of the needy, for the giving of hope and courage,

People: We reconsecrate this Sanctuary.

Leader: For the unity of all believers in Christ, for the carrying of the gospel into all the world, for the furtherance of the unity of all people,

People: We reconsecrate this Sanctuary.

Leader: For the dedication of life and service, in grateful remembrance of those who have gone before us, and in gratitude for our life together in this church,

People: We reconsecrate this Sanctuary to the glory of God, to the honor of Jesus Christ, and to the praise of the Holy Spirit. We give thanks to God for this church’s past and pray for God’s continued blessing and guidance. Thanks be to God!

ACT OF PRAISE

“Look at the World”
Children, Youth, & Chancel Choirs; JoySound Orchestra;
Eliot Hinson, piano; James Wells, director

John Rutter

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Casey Orr

PRAYER RESPONSE

“The Lord’s Prayer”
Youth Choir; Eliot Hinson, piano; Jenna Elsberry, director

Mark A. Miller

***SCRIPTURE READING: JOHN 1:1-5, 9-14, 16-18 (NRSVUE)**

Brad Bahr (9 a.m.)
Chris Davis (11 a.m.)

SERMON

“Incarnate Love”

Dr. Davis Chappell

SERMON RESPONSE

“What a Beautiful Name”
Ashton Gibbs, soloist; String Quartet

Hillsong United

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

Rev. Adam Jones

OFFERTORY

“The Word Was God”
Youth & Chancel Choirs; Eliot Hinson, piano; Dr. Gregg Bunn, organ;
Jenna Elsberry, director

Rosephanye Powell

***DOXOLOGY 94** “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow” **LASST UNS ERFREUEN**

Youth & Chancel Choirs; JoySound Orchestra; Eliot Hinson, piano;
Dr. Gregg Bunn, organ; Ryan Jones, director

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

Dr. Davis Chappell

***CLOSING HYMN 529**

“How Firm a Foundation”
Children, Youth, & Chancel Choirs; JoySound Orchestra;
BUMC Ringers; Ryan Jones, director

FOUNDATION

***BENEDICTION**

Bishop Joe Pennel

***CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”
Youth & Chancel Choirs; JoySound Orchestra; Eliot Hinson, piano;
Dr. Gregg Bunn, organ; Ryan Jones, director

arr. Mack Wilberg

POSTLUDE

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”
Dr. Gregg Bunn, organ

arr. Albert Travis

**stand as you are able*

Paraments: The color green is employed on the following Sundays to symbolize growth, life, and hope.
Acolytes: Allie Burgdorf & Rachel Ricotta (9 a.m.); Asoka Talafuse & Sam Tackett (11 a.m.)
Hymn Leader: James Wells (9 & 11 a.m.)

Children's Choirs are only leading in the 9 a.m. worship service.

*The chancel flowers are presented to the glory of God in loving memory of
Richard S. Hulette, III by Brandon and Whitney Hulette and their families.*

*The narthex flowers are presented to the glory of God in loving memory of
Ronnie and Linda Davis by their family.*

SERMON REFLECTION

1. What are my biggest take-aways from the sermon?

2. What is God teaching me?

3. What from the sermon can I apply to my life this week?

4. When did I feel most uplifted?

5. When did I feel most unsettled?
