

Welcome to Worship



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PRELUDE

Jerry Crites and Heather Watkins

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (R/Amen.) Page 94

☞ we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

APOSTOLIC GREETING (R/And also with you.)

PRAYER OF THE DAY (R/Amen.)

FIRST READING (R/Thanks be to God.)

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PSALM

Insert

SECOND READING (R/Thanks be to God.)

Insert

GOSPEL VERSE

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☞ Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL (R/Glory to you, O Lord.—R/ Praise to you, O Christ.)

SERMON

The Rev. Matthew A. Day

APOSTLES' CREED

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☞ I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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SHARING OF THE PEACE (R/And also with you.) Page 143

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC

Jerry Crites and Heather Watkins

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

☞ Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

☞ **we give you thanks and praise.**

☞ By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

☞ **we give you thanks and praise.**

☞ Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

☞ **we give you thanks and praise.**

☞ Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

☞ Amen.

**LORD’S PRAYER
ANNOUNCEMENTS
BENEDICTION
HYMN**

(Please hum along to tune in your pews. At home, feel free to sing)

DISMISSAL (℞/Thanks be to God.)

POSTLUDE

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