

Lectionary Readings

1 Samuel 15:34–16:13 The Lord sends Samuel to anoint the boy David as king.
 or
 Ezekiel 17:22–24 The Lord speaks through allegory of a twig growing into a mighty cedar.
 Psalm 20 The Lord will protect the anointed one in the day of trouble.
 or
 Psalm 92:1–4, 12–15 The psalmist sings thanksgiving to the Lord all day long.
 2 Corinthians 5:6–10, 14–17 Because Christ has died for us, we should respond by living for him.
 Mark 4:26–34 Jesus tells a parable about a harvest growing from scattered seeds.

Call to Worship

God sees with Holy eyes,
not what the world sees, but what God sees.
 God sees with Holy eyes,
little things becoming great things through faith.
 God sees with Holy eyes,
and our lives become a test of faith, not knowing the end, but trusting the journey.
 God sees with Holy eyes,
and the love of Christ urges us forward, to live as God calls.

Hymns for the Day

	PH	EH	ELW	UMH	NCH	VU	STF	SNC	TFBF	HFTG
Hymns of Praise										
Blest Be the God of Israel	601, 602	444	250,552	209		901				
The Church's One Foundation	442	525	654	545	386	331, 332				
God You Spin the Whirling Planets	285	580	771		556					
Old Testament										
We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight	399	209	635				2196			
O God of Earth and Altar	291	591			582					
Blest Be the God of Israel	601, 602	444	250,552	209		901				
Epistle										
Oh What Their Joy and Their Glory		634		727	385					
Jerusalem, My Happy Home		620	628		378					
Deep River									174	
Gospel										
Come Ye Thankful People, Come	551	290	693	694	422	516				
God of Freedom, God of Justice						700				
What Shall We Say God's Realm Is Like							2221			91
In Unity We Lift Our Song										
Communion										
Father We Thank Thee Who Has Planted		302,303	478	563,565						
O Day of God Draw Nigh	452	600, 601		730	611	688				
Sending										
God Is Working His Purpose Out		534								
Live into Hope	332					699				
God of the Prophets		359			358					
Steal Away				704	599				175	

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Prayer of Confession

God of Wisdom, we do not see as you see.
We look at others and make judgments.
We look on the outward appearance,
but you look into the heart.
Loving God, forgive our shallowness.
Open our eyes to see as you see.
Open our hearts to love as you love.
Help us to see each one as heart of your heart.

Psalm Settings

Psalm 20 Metrical
 “For Help in Troubled Times” TP 20
 “In the Day of Need” PsH 20
 “Lord, Hear our Supplication” PCW 30

Responsorial

“God Is the King” TPP 20
 “Let Your Hearts Take Comfort” P 14

Contemporary Songs

“This Is a Day of New Beginnings” Brian Wren/Lori True *Gather Comprehensive*
 “The Mind of God” John Bell *I Will Not Sing Alone*
 “Behold, I Make All Things New” John Bell *Come, All You People*
 “I Know the Lord Has Laid His Hands on Me” African-American spiritual/Foster *African-American Heritage Hymnal*
 “Lord, It Is Good” (Psalm 92) David Haas GIA, G-4800
 “How Did I Learn of My Heart?” John Thornburg/Jane Marshall *What Gift Can We Bring*

Global Songs

“Dios está aquí” (Latin American) TE 2
 “Lord, Have Mercy” (Singapore) STB 118
 “Oseh Shalom” (Israel) GP3 78

Anthems for Larger Choirs

“Send Out Thy Light” Charles Gounod, CF CM-6256, SATB
 “Give Thanks to the Lord” Richard Dirksen, HF #-5166, SATB
 “The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns” John Ferguson, GIA G-3750, SATB

Anthems for Smaller/Youth Choirs

“Let Thy Merciful Ears, O Lord” Wolff, MSM (50-9104), SAB, keyboard
 “Song of Joyful Praise” Mayo, Lor (10/3473L-Z), 2-part, piano
 “Zion’s Walls” Bailey/Mayo, Alfred (24262), 2-part, keyboard

Anthems for Children’s Choirs

“It Is Good to Give Thanks to the Lord” David Halls, PPM 00609
 “The Lord Is My Light” Michael Bedford, 2-part, opt. flute, CGA 878

Handbell Music

“Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain” Sondra Tucker, CGB275, 3–5 oct., opt. 2 trumpets, opt. 2 oct. hand chimes, (L3)
 “Faith” Paul McKlveen, JHS9396, 3–5 oct., (L2+)
 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” Martha Lynn Thompson, HP2268, 3–5 oct., opt. 3 oct. hand chimes, (L3)
 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” Andrea Handley, RRBL5037, 3–5 oct., opt. 2 oct. hand chimes, opt. piano and synthesizer, (L2)

Organ Music

“The Church’s One Foundation” David Cherwien, *Interpretations*, Vol. 5, AMSI, (E+)
 “Variations on Aurelia” Janet Linker, AF (E-M)
 “We Walk By Faith” (Dunlap’s Creek), James Biery, *The Augsburg Organ Library—Easter*, AF (E-M)
 “Thanksgiving Suite” (inc. *St. George’s Windsor* hymn tune), Charles Callahan, MS (M)