

# Order of Worship

July 7, 2024 10:00 AM

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Welcome to this time of worship, as we gather in the name of Jesus Christ.

**Prelude**

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J. Lemmens

Annelisa Crabtree, organ

**Welcome**

Rev. Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

**Greeting**

Leader: Come, the banquet of love is ready.

**People: We are hungry for the food of the soul.**

Leader: Come, Christ has your seat prepared.

**People: We accept Christ's invitation  
and join together at the table of grace!**

**Hymn**

**Open Up the Heavens**

**Prayer of Confession**

Leader: God of infinite forgiveness,  
we implore you this day to forgive those many times  
in which we have turned our backs on you  
by turning away from the needs of the voiceless,  
the hopeless, the helpless.

**People: We let ourselves get distracted by schedules and activities  
which drain us of energy and enthusiasm.**

Leader: Open the heavens, O God,

**People: that we may see you in the faces of everyone around us.**

Leader: Open the floodgates and let your Spirit pour out

**People: that we may again feel the exciting challenge  
of being your hands and feet in the world.**

Leader: Heal our wounds of indifference and apathy;

**People: bring us together in harmony and joy  
to serve you and your creation  
with peace, justice, and hope.**

Leader: It is in the name of your Son Jesus Christ, that we offer this prayer.

**All: Amen.**

**Words of Assurance**

Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Leader: Feel the powerful warmth of God's love for you!

God is with you, healing and restoring your lives and bringing you peace.

This is the good news from our persistent and patient God.

**All: Amen.**

**Anthem****In This House**

Jennie Lee Riddle

Praise Band

Richie Fike

**Children's Message****Scripture****Matthew 22:1-14**

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon****Dress: Formal**

Rev. Wines

**Prayer of the People**

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

**Offering**

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*You may text to give at 84321 or go to the Online Worship page of our website  
and click "Make your online offering."*

**Sending Forth****Hymn****Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling**

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Verses 1, 2, 4

**Benediction**

Rev. Wines

**Postlude****Short Piece #7**

W. Wolstenhome

Annelisa Crabtree, organ

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