

August 31, 2025

*This is the day that the LORD has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

Psalm 118:24

**Prelude**

*Lord, I Lift My Soul to Thee*

No. 481

## **Announcements**

**Introit**

*In Doubt and Temptation*

No. 482

**\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills-where does my help come from?

**My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.**

He will not let your foot slip-he who watches over you will not slumber;

**indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**

The Lord watches over you-the Lord is your shade at your right hand;

**the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.**

The Lord will keep you from all harm-he will watch over your life;

**The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.**

**\*Prayer of Invocation & Adoration****Reading of the Law**

Exodus 20:4-6

(Pew pg. 61/LP pg. 76)

**Prayer of Confession**

O Lord, God Almighty, you understand the secrets of every heart, you are a God of infinite perfection and purity, and claim not only the outward service of your creatures, but require truth in the inward parts. We sinners, who in thought, word, and deed have offended against you, desire most humbly to confess our sins, and to implore your merciful forgiveness. O Lord, we acknowledge that forgetfulness of you, and that rebellion of heart against you, which have been the cause of so many disorders in our lives. We have not honored you as God, but have set up our own will as our law, choosing to follow our own vain imaginations. We have neglected your written Word; we have not duly attended to the instructions of your ministers; we have been careless under the means of grace. Forgive us, we pray, and wash our hearts in the cleansing blood of the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray, Amen.

**Assurance of Pardoning Grace**

Rom 8:1-4

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

**\*Hymn of Thanksgiving**      *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*      No. 351

**Scripture Reading**      Daniel 1:8-21      (Pew pg. 737/LP pg. 925)

**Westminster Shorter Catechism**      **pg. 970**

**Q. 57. Which is the fourth commandment?**

A. The fourth commandment is, Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

**Prayer of Intercession**

**Offering**      *How Great Thou Art*      No. 227

**\*Doxology**      No. 567

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

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**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**\*Hymn of Preparation**      *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*      No. 222  
*Hymn of the Month*

## Sermon

Acts 19:23-20:1 (Pew pg. 928/LP pg. 1158)

1. Rhythm
2. Accusation
3. Confusion
4. Vindication

### Questions:

1. What's the connection between faithful Biblical teaching and opposition from the world? Explain your answer.
2. What charges were leveled against Paul by the Ephesians? Were they true? Were they false? What can we learn from this?
3. What are some ways that we see confusion in the unbelieving world? What should be the church's reaction to this confusion?
4. How is Paul vindicated in this section? List all the ways that he is vindicated and by whom.



## Songs for Next Week

*Psalm 24 B*

*There is a Fountain Filled with Blood*

No.340

*What're My God Ordains is Right*

No. 231

## Serving the Lord

	8/31/25	9/7/25	9/14/25
Nursery During Sunday School	N/A	Andrea Tummond	Karen Carleton
Nursery During AM Service	Calla Bailey & Andrea Tummond	Grace Martin & Kathleen Gretzinger	Nora Jones & Lorrie Martin
Nursery During PM Service	Kathleen Gretzinger	Grace Martin	N/A
Greeters	Connie Eenigenburg	Jane Erspamer	Lash Family
Treats/ Clean	Sign up at welcome desk	Sign up at welcome desk	Sign up at welcome desk
Audio	Ed Ross	Ben Armstrong	Grayden Lash
Elder	Jim Martin	Andrew Gretzinger	Yon Lindborg
Deacon	Ben Armstrong	Ed Ross	Nick Jones
Communion Prep	N/A	Jim Martin	N/A

## **Announcements**

**\*Family Night:** Please sign up at the welcome desk.

**\*Photo Dates for directory:** If you want Lorrie to take your photo for the directory please be ready on Sept 14th and 28th following the service.

**\*Men's Bible Study:** The Men's Bible Study will resume in September on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month. We will be studying Genesis. Please Sign up at the welcome desk.

**\*Women's Evening Study:** The evening Women's Bible Study will be doing a book study of Ephesians. The study will meet every other week on Mondays or Tuesdays with a start time of somewhere between 4 and 6 pm. Please make your preference known on the sheet at the Welcome Desk. Questions? See Karen Carleton

**\* September Choir:** Please sign up at the welcome desk if you are interested in the choir. Talk to Chris if you have questions.

**\*September Officer Nominations:** Please prayerfully consider nominating elders or deacons. Details on insert.

# **EVENING WORSHIP**

**5:00 p.m.**

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**Prelude 158.....**“All Praise to Thee My God This Night ”

**Call to Worship**

**+Hymn 220 .....** “Give Praise to God”

**+Prayer of Invocation**

**Scripture Reading.....**Psalm 35

**+Hymn .....**Psalm 35 (vs. 1, 2, 3, 10, 11)

**Prayer of Intercession.....**Elder led

**Reading of God’s Word.....**Joshua 23

**Preaching of God’s Word.....**Andrew Gretzinger

**+Hymn 433 .....** “Amazing Grace!”

**+Benediction**

**\*Doxology.....** No. 567

**Postlude .....** “Sweet Hour of Prayer”

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**+The congregation will stand at these times**