

welcome

We are so glad you're here with us today. Our desire is for you to experience both rest and worship throughout this Sunday morning. If you'd like to learn more about how to get connected at Ward follow these simple steps...

next steps

GATHER for worship | We come together each week with our full passion, intensity, and creativity. In worship, we respond with all that we are to all that we know God to be. We sing, we listen, we learn, and we grow. And it inspires us to live a life of worship - giving God His place in all things at all times. Our hope is that people will leave our services knowing they have encountered the true and living God.

CONNECT with others | Life change happens best in the context of relationships. In a circle of friends, with the Word open, and hearts surrendered, we get to spur one another on to love and good deeds. We serve each other and our world. Joining a group or a serve team is a significant step toward experiencing biblical community and purpose.

INVITE into the mission | God's mission in this world is too big for us alone. We invite our friends and neighbors to participate in God's work to redeem and renew all things. We share the love of Jesus and invite people into the life that God designed us for.

new guests

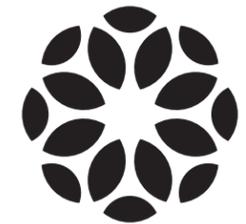
Thank you again for deciding to worship with us today!

You can learn more about our upcoming events in the Ward monthly insert or visit our main info desk in our Hub near Entry 1.

We would love for you to fill out the communication card to help us know how to best connect with you.

Also, don't forget to pick up your free first-time guest coffee card at the welcome desk good for complimentary drinks at ReNu. Finally, if there's any way we can serve you, please don't hesitate to talk with one of our pastors, volunteers, staff, or e-mail us at info@wardchurch.org.

notes



classic worship

July 16, 2017
8 a.m. & 11 a.m.



Prelude

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name | The Ward Orchestra

Gathering of God's People

*Call to Worship | Psalm 100
Rev. Soon Pak, Pastor of Discipleship

All:
Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth
Worship the Lord with gladness
Come before Him with joyful songs

Enter His gates with thanksgiving
And His courts with praise
Give thanks to Him and praise His name

Know that the Lord is God
It is He who made us, and we are His
We are His people, the sheep of His pasture

For the Lord is good
And His love endures forever
His faithfulness continues
Through all generations

*Hymn #33 | Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
Rachel Groff and Emily Morcoss, lead vocals

*Prayer of Adoration

*Profession of Faith | from The Essentials of Our Faith

Leader:
There are certain matters which our denomination deems "essential." As we focus on the importance of church this morning, let us recite together one of these essentials of our faith:

The Church finds her visible yet imperfect expression in local congregations, where the Word of God is preached in its purity and the sacraments are administered in their integrity,

**People:
The true Church is composed of all people who through saving faith in Jesus Christ and the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit are united together in the body of Christ.**

where scriptural discipline is practiced, and where loving fellowship is maintained. For her perfecting she awaits the return of her Lord.

Welcome & Announcements

Celebrating God's Presence

*Hymn #638 | I Need The Every Hour

I need Thee every hour
Most gracious Lord
No tender voice like Thine
Can peace afford
I need Thee, oh, I need Thee
Every hour I need Thee
Oh, bless me now, my Savior
I come to Thee

I need Thee every hour
In joy or pain
Come quickly and abide
Or life is vain
I need Thee, oh, I need Thee
Every hour I need Thee
Oh, bless me now, my Savior
I come to Thee

I need Thee every hour
Stay Thou near by
Temptations lose their power
When Thou art nigh
I need Thee, oh, I need Thee
Every hour I need Thee
Oh, bless me now, my Savior
I come to Thee

I need Thee every hour
Most Holy One
Oh, make me Thine indeed
Thou blessed Son
I need Thee, oh, I need Thee
Every hour I need Thee
Oh, bless me now, my Savior
I come to Thee

CCLI #78811 | Annie Sherwood Hawks
and Robert Lowry

Hearing God's Word

*Scripture Reading | 1 Peter 2:4-10 (NIV, pew Bible page #981)
Evie Longmire, reader

As you come to him, the living Stone—
rejected by humans but chosen by God and
precious to him— you also, like living stones,
are being built into a spiritual house to be a
holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices
acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For
in Scripture it says:

“See, I lay a stone in Zion,
a chosen and precious cornerstone,
and the one who trusts in him
will never be put to shame.”
Now to you who believe, this stone is
precious. But to those who do not believe,
“The stone the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone,”

and,

“A stone that causes people to stumble
and a rock that makes them fall.”
They stumble because they disobey the
message—
which is also what they were destined for.
But you are a chosen people, a royal priest-
hood, a holy nation, God's special possession,
that you may declare the praises of him who
called you out of darkness into his wonderful
light. Once you were not a people, but now
you are the people of God; once you had not
received mercy, but now you have received
mercy.

Sermon

1 Peter: Refugees By Choice | *The Rejected Chosen*
Mrs. Pam Dodge, Director of Group Life

Responding to God's Word

Offering Introduction | Prayer

Offertory | No Longer Slaves
Rachel Groff and Emily Morcos, duet

You unravel me, with a melody
You surround me with a song
Of deliverance, from my enemies
Till all my fears are gone

I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God

I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God

From my Mothers womb
You have chosen me
Love has called my name
I've been born again, into your family
Your blood flows through my veins

I am surrounded
By the arms of the Father
I am surrounded
By songs of deliverance
We've been liberated
From our bondage
We're the sons and the daughters
Let us sing our freedom

You split the sea, so I could walk right
through it
My fears were drowned in perfect love
You rescued me, so I could stand and sing
I am a child of God

CCLI #7030123 | Brian Johnson, Joel Case and
Jonathan David Helser

Communion [8 a.m.]

Mrs. Pam Dodge, Rev. Soon Pak and Elders Malcolm Bain and Peter Tassi

*Hymn #139 | Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Sending God's People

Closing Messages and Benediction

*Congregation members stand, as they are able