

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 info desks near Entry 1 or just outside of the Sanctuary near Entry 6.

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

Psalm 1

¹ Blessed is the one
who does not walk in step with the wicked
or stand in the way that sinners take
or sit in the company of mockers,
² but whose delight is in the law of the LORD,
and who meditates on his law day and night.
³ That person is like a tree planted by streams of
water, which yields its fruit in season
and whose leaf does not wither—
whatever they do prospers.

⁴ Not so the wicked!
They are like chaff that the wind blows away.
⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the
judgment,
nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.
⁶ For the LORD watches over the way of the
righteous, but the way of the wicked leads
to destruction.



classic worship

January 14, 2018
9:30 a.m & 11 a.m.
Sanctuary



Prelude

Hymn Medley | Fred Reinhart, guitar

Gathering of God's People

*Call to Worship | from Psalm 76

Pam Dodge, Director of Group Life [9:30 a.m.]

Rev. Doug Thompson, Care Ministry Pastor [11 a.m.]

Leader:
God's name is renowned in all the earth
throughout the nations His name is great

Leader:
It is You alone who are to be feared
Who can stand before you when you are angry?

People:
You, O Lord, are radiant with light
more majestic than mountains rich with game

People:
As for us, we will declare this forever:
We will sing praise to God

*Hymn #43 | All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Rachel Norton, lead vocal

All hail the power of Jesus' name
Let angels prostrate fall
Bring forth the royal diadem
and crown Him Lord of all
Bring forth the royal diadem
and crown Him Lord of all

Let every nation, every tribe
on this celestial ball
to Him all majesty ascribe
and crown Him Lord of all
To Him all majesty ascribe
and crown Him Lord of all

O seed of Israel's chosen race
now ransomed from the fall
hail Him who saves you by His grace
and crown Him Lord of all
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
and crown Him Lord of all

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
we at His feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song
and crown Him Lord of all
We'll join the everlasting song
and crown Him Lord of all

CCLI #25400 | Edward Perronet,
John Rippon and Oliver Holden

*Hymn | He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail
Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail
He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold
He must hold me fast

Those He saves are His delight
Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight
He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost
His promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost
He will hold me fast

He will hold me fast
He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so
He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died
Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied
He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life
He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight
When he comes at last

CCLI #7016161 | Ada Ruth
Habershon and Matthew Merker

*Prayer of Adoration & The Lord's Prayer

Confession & Assurance

Leader:
The proof of God's amazing love is this:
While we were sinners, Christ died for us.
Let us therefore approach the throne of grace
with boldness,
so that we may receive mercy and find grace
to help in time of need.
Trusting in God's faithfulness and compassion,
let us confess our sin before God and one another.

People:
Lord, we have sinned
without considering how much You loved us
You see our sins more clearly
than we can ourselves

Lord, you know when we are indifferent
to your Word

how often we forget to pray
the times we come unwillingly to worship
and yet we turn to You in times of trouble

Lord, you know when we are untruthful
and when we think evil of others
You see our anger and unfairness to our friends

You know how hard it is for us to forgive
Forgive us and make us clean
so that we can obey your call
to take up your cross and follow You.
Through Jesus Christ, Our Lord
Amen

(moment of silence...)

Leader:
"Here I am! I stand at the door and knock.
If anyone hears my voice and opens the door
I will come in and eat with that person, and they
with me."
The Lord says in the book of Isaiah:
"Though your sins are like scarlet
they shall be white as snow
though they are red as crimson
they shall be like wool."

Welcome & Announcements

Celebrating God's Presence

*Hymn #408 | How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation you saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
for I am your God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee,
and cause thee to stand,
upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
My grace all-sufficient shall be thy supply;
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no never forsake!"

CCLI #4463315 | John Rippon
and Joseph Funk

Hearing God's Word

*Scripture Reading | Psalm 1 [NIV] Pew Bible page #431

Pam Dodge [9:30 a.m.] Millie Dreisbach, Elder [11 a.m.]

Text on back of bulletin

Sermon: Rooted
Scripture Meditation

Rev. Dr. Scott McKee, Senior Pastor

Responding to God's Word

Offering Introduction | Prayer

*Hymn #815 | Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen

CCLI #2922140 | Thomas Ken

Offertory | Be Still and Know

The Ward Chancel Choir

Be still and know that He is God
Be still and know that He is holy
Be still O restless soul of mine
Bow before the Prince of Peace
Let the noise and clamor cease

Be still
Be speechless

Be still and know that He is God
Be still and know that He is faithful
Consider all that He has done
Stand in awe and be amazed
And know that He will never change

Be still and know that He is God
Be still and know He is our Father
Come, rest your head upon His breast

Listen to the rhythm of
His unfailing heart of love
Beating for His little ones
Calling each of us to come

Be still
Be still and know that He is God

Be still

CCLI #2758912 | Steven Curtis
Chapman

*Hymn | In Christ Alone (With the Solid Rock)

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

In Christ alone! who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

William B. Bradbury, Travis Cottrell,
Keith Getty, Paul Mills, Edward Mote
and Stuart Townend

Sending God's People

Closing Messages and Benediction

**Congregation members stand, as they are able*