



Multiplying disciples one life at a time

April 12, 2026
9:30 am Worship Service

Today's Speaker: Dr. David Kieffer, Sr. Pastor

Worship Leader: Rusty Rutter, Ruling Elder

Organist: Courtney Brooke

Choir Director: Rachel Klein

PRELUDE

Sonata/ J. Oxinaga
This is My Father's World/ arr. R. Parks

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 8:3-9 (ESV)

Leader: When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?

People: You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor. You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet:

Leader: All flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild, the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.

People: LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 53

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

***WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

Unison: Dear Father, in whose image we are created, we mourn for all the ways that sin overshadows your perfect designs for us. Forgive us for taking for granted the days and years you graciously give us. We confess our desires to be the masters of our lives. We lose sight of your promises. We doubt your goodness, and we forget your sovereign love. Subdue in us the love of sin. Fill us with solemn joy in you. We come with no worthiness of our own, but we stand in the righteousness of Jesus our Lord. Amen.

***WE EMBRACE GOD'S GRACE** 1 Corinthians 10:13 (ESV)

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

***WE CONFESS OUR FAITH**

Westminster Shorter Cat., Q. 1 & 10

Leader: What is the chief end of man?

People: The chief end of man is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

Leader: How did God create man?

People: God created man male and female, after his own image, in knowledge, righteousness, and holiness, with dominion over the creatures.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS Carson Weber, Derek Weber
Blest Be the Tie that Binds

***WE EXALT OUR LORD**
WORSHIP SONGS *Creation Sings the Father's Song*
The First Noel (Born is the King)
Doxology (Romans 11)

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER
CONGREGATIONAL GREETING
WELCOME TO VISITORS

MISSION MOMENT Stephen & Charity Jones, video

WE SEEK GOD'S FACE Prayers of God's People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS
OFFERING/ CHORAL OFFERTORY *Doxology of Praise*
DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
(ages 4–6 years old)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD
SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 1:26-31 (ESV)

²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

²⁷ So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

²⁸ And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." ²⁹ And God said, "Behold, I

have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. ³¹ And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

SERMON

The Masterpiece of Creation

Genesis series: The Ancient Roots of the Gospel

Dr. David Kieffer

***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE

God of Wonders

*BENEDICTION

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO MUSIC ROOM AND SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR
(4 years through 5th grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Song Lyrics

53 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty The King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him For He is thy health and salvation
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near,
join me in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wonderfully reigneth
Shelters thee under His wings, Yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
Ponder anew what the Almighty will do
If with His love He befriend thee!

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee
decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.
How oft in grief hath not He brought thee relief,
spreading His wings to o'er shade thee!

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the amen sound from His people again;
Gladly fore'er we adore Him.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, Words Tr. By Catherine Winkworth, Music by Stralsund Gesangbuch, arr. in Praxis PietatisMelica ©Public Domain CCLI License # 79597

Blest Be the Tie that Binds

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

Creation Sings

Creation sings the Father's song He calls the sun to wake the dawn
And run the course of day Till evening comes in crimson rays
His fingerprints in flakes of snow
His breath upon this spinning globe
He charts the eagle's flight Commands the newborn baby's cry

Hallelujah Let all creation stand and sing
Hallelujah Fill the earth with songs of worship
Tell the wonders of creation's King

Creation gazed upon His face The ageless One in time's embrace
Unveiled the Father's plan Of reconciling God and man
A second Adam walked the earth
Whose blameless life would break the curse
Whose death would set us free To live with Him eternally

Hallelujah Let all creation stand and sing
Hallelujah Fill the earth with songs of worship
Tell the wonders of creation's King

Creation longs for His return When Christ shall reign upon the earth
The bitter wars that rage Are birth pains of a coming age
When He renews the land and sky
All heaven will sing and earth reply
With one resplendent theme The glory of our God and King

Hallelujah Let all creation stand and sing
Hallelujah Fill the earth with songs of worship
Tell the wonders of creation's King

The First Noel (Easter)

The first noel earth and Heaven embraced
As a virgin beheld her new born babe
From realms on high to a manger on earth
Salvation had dawned in a lowly birth
Noel noel noel noel
Born is the King of Israel

The Son of God in kindness He came
As a friend to the hopeless the lost and the lame
Our sins He bore yet His name we despised
And the hands that brought healing
Were pierced as He died.
Noel noel noel noel
Born is the King of Israel

The Author of Life there lifeless He lay
As the grave cast its shadow and darkness reigned
Then out of death broke forth a great light
As He rose up in victory the Glorious Christ.
Noel noel noel noel
Born is the King of Israel

Now let us all with one accord
Bring praises to our King
All glory power and honor be
Forever unto Him (repeat)

Romans 11 (Doxology)

Oh, the depth of the riches
of the wisdom and knowledge of God
How unsearchable His judgments
How untraceable His paths

Who knows the mind of our God
and who can bring counsel to Him?
Who has given to God
that God should repay?

For from Him, and through Him
and to Him, is everything

To God be the glory forever and ever
To God be the glory forever, amen

God of Wonders

Lord of all creation, of water, earth, and sky
The heavens are Your tabernacle, glory to the Lord on high

God of Wonders beyond our galaxy, You are holy, holy
The universe declares Your majesty, You are holy, holy

Lord of heaven and earth
Lord of heaven and earth

Early in the morning, I will celebrate the light
When I stumble in the darkness, I will call Your name by night

God of Wonders beyond our galaxy, You are holy, holy
The universe declares Your majesty, You are holy, holy

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