Ordinary Time

November 15, 2026



Psalm 90:1-2

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

† Ordinary time refers to the Sundays in the liturgical year between Pentecost and Advent. It is a season of growth and discipleship in the life of the church where we see, speak about, and join God's ongoing work in the world.

Worship Participants

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Hearing Assistance

A telecoil hearing-loop system sends a signal into the sanctuary. If your hearing aid is t-coil equipped, try switching to the t-coil receiver. An FM hearing assistance system is also available for ears without hearing aids. Consult the sound operator for assistance.

God Gathers Us for Worship

Welcome

*Call to Worship: I Samuel 2:1-8 p.420

My heart rejoices in the Lord; in the Lord my horn is lifted high.
My mouth boasts over my enemies, for I delight in your deliverance.
There is no one holy like the Lord;
there is no one besides you;
there is no Rock like our God.
Do not keep talking so proudly or let your mouth speak such arrogance,
for the Lord is a God who knows, and by him deeds are weighed.
The bows of the warriors are broken,
but those who stumbled are armed with strength.
Those who were full hire themselves out for food,
but those who were hungry are hungry no more.
She who was barren has borne seven children,
but she who has had many sons pines away.
The Lord brings death and makes alive;
he brings down to the grave and raises up.
The Lord sends poverty and wealth;
he humbles and he exalts.
He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap;
he seats them with princes and has them inherit a throne of honor.

*Song: "My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout" LUYH 69

*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" LUYH 405

st.1,2—all; st.3—women; st.4—all; st.5—men; st.6—all

Service of Lament & Deliverance

Psalm of Lament: Psalm 13:1-4 p.852

Song: "How Long, O Lord"

1. ***O God, who hears our prayers, when will your kingdom come?***
With souls weighed down with cares, we call to you alone.
Our path is dimmed by tears, our world cries out in pain,
we long for heaven's peace; deliver us, again.

The cross has spoken; I am forgiven. The King of kings calls me his own.
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever. Jesus Christ, my living hope

Chorus: ***Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free!***
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!
You have broken every chain. There's salvation in your name.
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

3. ***Then came the morning that sealed the promise,***
your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence, the roaring Lion
declared the grave has no claim on me. *(repeat)*
Jesus, yours is the victory. *(to chorus)*

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Communion Song: "I Stand Amazed" LUYH 174

*The Thanksgiving: Psalm 103:1-4 p.939

Praise the Lord, O my soul;
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.
Praise the Lord, O my soul and forget not all his benefits–
who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit
and crowns you with love and compassion.

We Are Sent with God's Blessing

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "He Will Keep You (Psalm 121)"

1. ***I lift my eyes and see, I need not be afraid.***
All my help comes from the Lord, who the earth and sky has made.

Chorus: ***He will keep you from all evils, behind you and before.***
He will sustain you, through this journey from now and evermore.

2. ***The Lord will never sleep, my steps He has ordained.***
For the One who holds the night is the Sovereign of my days. *(to chorus)*

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Chorus: ***How Long, O Lord, till you make things right?***
How Long, O Lord, till our faith is sight?
How Long, O Lord, till your kingdom comes? Lord Jesus, come.

2. ***When will the sick be healed? When will our sadness end?***
When will your light reveal the beauty of your plan?
When will our hatred cease? When will your justice reign?
When will your enemies revere your holy name? *(to chorus)*

3. ***You surely know our grief, our sorrows you endured;***
your Spirit intercedes with groans too deep for words.
Now make us sure in hope, steadfast until the end;
we wait upon you, Lord, and trust your sovereign hand. *(to chorus)*

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Words of Assurance: Psalm 13: 5-6 p.852

Song of Deliverance: "You Are My Hiding Place" LUYH 412

Invitation to Giving

Offering our gifts is an important part of our response to God—connecting our worship with a life of discipleship—and is a way to participate in the ministry of Covenant CRC here in this building and around the world. Offering boxes are available, or check your bulletin announcements for more ways to give.

Prayers for the Church and World

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Children's Dismissal: "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" LUYH 747:1,2

Children ages 3 years old through kindergarten are invited to a time of worship designed especially for young children and can gather in the fellowship hall with the helpers. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Judges 4 p.376

Message: "Blessed Is Jael" Dr. Jason Lief

God Meets Us at the Table

*Song of Preparation: "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly" LUYH 534:1,3

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord" LUYH 810:1

The Institution: 1 Corinthians 11

Memorial Acclamation

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.
Dying he destroyed our death. Rising he restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Prayer of Consecration, concluding with the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

The Invitation

We invite you to come down the center aisle to the communion table at the front of the sanctuary. You may partake at the table or take it back to your seats to partake there. Gluten-free bread is available on the table.

Communion Song: "Living Hope"

1. ***How great the chasm that lay between us.***
How high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation I turned to heaven and spoke your name into the night.
Then through the darkness Your lovingkindness
tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written. Jesus Christ, my living hope.

2. ***Who could imagine so great a mercy?***
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
to wear my sin and bear my shame.