

## PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

### ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Call to Worship:

[Psalm 62:1–2,8](#)

Hymn: “Great Is the Lord”

God’s Greeting:

[Revelation 1:4–5](#)

Prayer of the Day

God of glory, fill your church with the power that flows from Christ’s resurrection, that, in the midst of the sinful world, it may signal the beginning of a renewed humanity, risen to new life with Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

### CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession:

[Isaiah 30:15,18](#)

Prayer of Confession

Lord, we have not kept watch for you. We have occupied ourselves with our own concerns. We have not waited to find your will for us. We have not noticed the needs of the people around us. We have not acknowledged the love that has been shown to us. Forgive us for our lack of watchfulness. Help us to wait to know your will. Help us to look out for the needs of others. Help us to work and watch for your coming. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

[II Peter 3:8–9,15](#)

Our Common Faith:

[Heidelberg Catechism Lord’s Day 21](#)

Response: “Blessed Assurance”

[PH 490](#)

Congregational Prayer

### THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

Hymn: “Break Now the Bread of Life”

[PH 282: 1,3,4](#)

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: *Down Time*

[II Chronicles 36: 16–23](#)

Hymn: “Low in the Grave He Lay”

[PH 396](#)

### OUR RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

God’s Will for Our Lives

[I Corinthians 13:1–6](#)

Offertory Prayer

Confession of Faith:

[Apostles’ Creed](#)

## BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Benediction: [Numbers 6:24–26](#)

Doxology: “We are Marching in the Light of God”

Postlude

Minister: Rev. Joel Vande Werken | Piano: Lisa Vos

Vocalists: Dan Vos, Kelly Penning, Lisa Foppema

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