

ORDER OF WORSHIP

BAND PRELUDE

HOSANNA RINGERS “Hymn to Joy” arr. Michael R. Keller

ORGAN PRELUDE

Variations on “This Is My Father’s World”	Edna S. Jeffries
Suite on “Join We All with One Accord”	Jayson Snipes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER

HYMN 169 “Here in the Name of Christ our Lord” Hus (22F)
**During the singing of the final stanza, extend the right hand of fellowship*

*Here in the name of Christ our Lord,
the church's head by all adored,
with Christian love and purpose true,
this church in faith embraces you.*

*We welcome you among us here,
with joy that God has brought you near.
With heart and hand we pledge our love
and pray Christ's blessing from above.*

**The God of peace you sanctify
and bless you richly from on high,
that spirit, soul, and body may
reflect God's presence ev'ry day.*

CALL TO WORSHIP/RESPONSIVE READING

In grace God called and chose the people of Israel and established with them a covenant: I will be your God, and you will be my people. In that relationship they were to be freed from sin and become a blessing to all. Then God came to us in Jesus Christ and fulfilled that covenant for all people. Through Christ's life, death and resurrection, God made for us a new covenant of grace.

We come before you with joy, O God, to claim the promises of your covenant.

HYMN “God of Friedland’s Ministry” St. George’s/
Windsor 205F

*God of Friedland's ministry, Forebears tended, earnestly;
Nourished soil and fostered seed, sunlight, rain – fulfilled all need.
Bless'd souls for longevity, bound in faith and unity,
Gracious God, we offer praise for your legacy of grace.*

*For Your hand, throughout the years, present in our joy and tears,
Faithful guidance, grace abounds. Favor – great and small is found.
Your provision – kind, steadfast; centuries of gifts, long-cast.
For Your constant, guiding hand, we, your stewards, grateful stand.*

*Present with your servants now, in humility, we bow,
Asking for Your sacred pow'r to enrich this very hour.
May we, each, rise up and serve as your child, the call still heard.
May we, in this current day serve your church in word and way.*

*Father, in the years ahead, strengthen us through Wine and Bread.
May this Land of Peace still strive to shine forth Your light – alive!
Jesus Christ, Reality, be made known so all may be
Sure within your warm embrace ‘til in heav’n we take our place.*

THE LOVEFEAST

“All Hail, Our Church’s Elder Dear” #569 1969 Hymnal/Worship 159A

*Remembering what our fathers told thou didst in their young day,
this solemn jubilee we hold, that we, as then did they,
ourselves in covenant may bind, with soul and strength, with heart and mind,
through life, in death, on land, o'er sea, meekly to follow Thee.*

*O Thou, in whom we all are one, if faithful found and true,
Thy will on earth by each be done as each in heaven would do.
To thee ourselves we first would give, live to Thy glory while we live,
from step to step on Thee rely, then to Thy service die.*

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past” #461 MBW/St. Anne 14H

*O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.*

*Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.*

*Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame,
from everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.*

“I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord” #513 MBW/St. Thomas 582P

*I love your kingdom, Lord, the place of your abode,
the church our blessed Redeemer saved with his own precious blood.*

*Beyond my highest joy I prize her heav'nly ways,
her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.*

*Sure as your truth shall last, to Zion shall be given
the brightest glories earth can yield and brighter bliss of heaven.*

“Jesus, Still Lead On” #799 MBW/68A Thuringia

*Jesus, still lead on till our rest be won;
and although the way be cheerless
we will follow calm and fearless;
guide us by your hand to the promised land.*

*If the way be drear, if the foe be near,
let no faithless fears o'er-take us,
let not faith and hope forsake us;
safely past the foe to our home we go.*

*Jesus, still lead on till our rest be won;
heav'nly leader, still direct us,
still support, console, protect us,
till we safely stand in the promised land.*

“Jesus Makes My Heart Rejoice” #662 MBW/Hayn 82D

*Jesus makes my heart rejoice,
I'm his sheep and know his voice;
he's a Shepherd, kind and gracious,
and his pastures are delicious;
constant love to me he shows,
yea, my very name he knows.*

*Trusting his mild staff always,
I go in and out in peace;
he will feed me with the treasure
of his grace in richest measure;
when athirst to him I cry,
living water he'll supply.*

*Should not I for gladness leap,
led by Jesus as his sheep?
For when these blessed days are over
to the arms of my dear Savior
I shall be conveyed to rest.
Amen, yea, my lot is blessed.*

“Come, Let Us Sing the Song of Songs” #469 MBW/Wareham 22H

*Come, let us sing the song of songs,
with hearts and voices swell the strain,
the homage which to Christ belongs:
“Worthy the Lamb, for he was slain!”*

*To him, enthroned by filial right,
all pow'r in heav'n and earth proclaim,
honor, and majesty, and might;
"Worthy the Lamb, for he was slain!"*

*Long as we live, and when we die,
and while in heaven with him we reign,
this song, our song of songs shall be:
“Worthy the Lamb, for he was slain!”*

THE MORAVIAN BLESSING

*Come, Lord Jesus our guest to be, and bless these gifts bestowed by thee.
Bless our loved ones everywhere and keep them in thy loving care. Amen.*

PARTAKING OF THE LOVEFEAST

“Jesus Is the Living Stone”	Mary McDonald
“Lord Jesus, Bestow Thy Peace”	Edna Jeffries
“O God Beyond All Praising”	Dan Forrest

Watchword for the week -
*Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power
 and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and
 glory and blessing.*
 Revelation 5:12