



Wednesday Evening Chapel Worship January 21, 2026 7pm

CALL TO WORSHIP

Brothers and sisters in Christ, we are not divided—
we are one family, adopted by grace.

**We belong to God, not by inheritance,
but by the blood of Jesus Christ.**

The message of the cross draws us away from pride and into one body.

We glory not in ourselves, but in the cross of Christ.

Come, let us worship the God who has made us one in Christ—

Our sure foundation and hope.

OPENING HYMN

“The Church’s One Foundation” vs. 1-4, *OGRP #388*

The Church’s One Foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is His new creation, by water and the word;
from heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
with His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o’er all the earth,
her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder we see her sore oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed;
yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, “How long?”
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

‘Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

OPENING PRAYER

Reconciling God, we thank you for the mercy by which you have claimed us as your own. Through the cross of Christ, you have broken down every dividing wall and gathered us into one family of faith. When pride tempts us to stand apart, turn our eyes again to the cross. When fear leads us toward division,

remind us of the love poured out there. Root us in Christ, our one foundation, and shape us into a people of humility and grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE
MESSAGE

1 Corinthians 1:10-18
"Who Do You Follow?"

PRAYER HYMN

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory" OGRP #239

**In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time;
all the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.**

**When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
never shall the cross forsake me; Lo! it glows with peace and joy.**

**When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way,
from the cross the radiance streaming adds more luster to the day.**

**Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified;
peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.**

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OGRP #700

CLOSING PRAISE **"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross/O the Wonderful Cross" OGRP #221/222**

When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross,
bids me come and die and find that I may truly live.
O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross,
all who gather here by grace draw near and bless Your name.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down;
did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross,
bids me come and die and find that I may truly live.
O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross,
all who gather here by grace draw near and bless Your name.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

CHARGE & BLESSING

Go forth as members of God's household, united not by opinion,
but by the saving work of Jesus Christ.
Love God with your whole heart, love one another as brothers and sisters,
and bear witness to the reconciling power of the cross.
**And may Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—
keep you rooted in Christ, strong in unity and love,
now and always. Amen.**

CLOSING & THE PEACE

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Leaders in tonight's worship: Brad & Lisa DeHaven

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Prayers for use at home this week:

Morning – Faithful God, thank you for the grace that has made me your child. Help me live today with humility, patience, and love. Guard my words and guide my actions. May the cross of Christ shape my choices and draw me into deeper unity with others, for your glory. Amen.

Evening – Merciful God, as this day ends, I rest in the love that has claimed me as your own. Forgive my selfishness, my divisive words, and my fearful silence. Thank you for the cross of Christ, where love overcomes division. Unite my heart with yours as I rest, and prepare me to serve again tomorrow. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



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