

For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the spirit is life and peace.

Rom. 8:6

# Wednesday Evening Chapel Worship March 18, 2026 7pm

## CALL TO WORSHIP

To set the mind on the flesh is death,  
but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

**So come—come ye weary, come ye worn,  
come with whatever this day has laid on you.**

Christ is here. The Spirit of God is here.

**Let us set our hearts and minds on the source of all life and peace.**

## OPENING PRAISE

**“Blessed Be the Name” OGRP #67**

O for a thousand tongues to sing, blessed be the name of the Lord!  
The glories of my God and King, blessed be the name of the Lord!

*REFRAIN:*

**Blessed be the name, blessed be the name, blessed be the name of the Lord!  
Blessed be the name, blessed be the name, blessed be the name of the Lord!**

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, blessed be the name of the Lord!  
‘Tis music in the sinner’s ears, blessed be the name of the Lord! **REFRAIN**

He breaks the power of canceled sin, blessed be the name of the Lord!  
His blood can make the foulest clean, blessed be the name of the Lord! **REFRAIN**

## OPENING PRAYER

**O Lord, we come to you at the end of a long day, and we are honest: we have not always chosen life. We have set our minds on lesser things—on worry, on control, on the noise that crowds out your voice. But you have not abandoned us to death. Your Spirit moves in us still. So breathe on us tonight. Set our hearts on what is true. By the power of the Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead, give life to what is tired in us, and let us leave here more alive than when we came. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our living hope. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE  
MESSAGE

Romans 8:6-11  
“Life and Death”

## CENTERING SONG

**“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart” OGRP #294**

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth, through all its pulses move; stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art, and make me love Thee as I ought to love.

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies, no sudden rending of the veil of clay,  
no angel visitant, no opening skies; but take the dimness of my soul away.

Hast Thou not bid me love Thee, God and King?  
All, all Thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind.

I see Thy cross; there teach my heart to cling. O let me seek Thee, and O let me find!

Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh; teach me the struggles of the soul to bear.  
To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh, teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love, one holy passion filling all my frame;  
the kindling of the heaven-descended Dove, my heart an altar, and Thy love the flame.

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*OGRP #700*

SONG OF SALVATION

**"Living Hope"** *OGRP #560*

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 loving-kindness tore through the shadows of my soul;  
the work is finished, the end is written, Jesus Christ, my living hope.

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!

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.  
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.

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!

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.  
Then came the morning that sealed the promise, Your buried body, it did breathe;  
out of the silence the Roaring Lion, Jesus, Yours, the victory!

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!

CHARGE & BLESSING

Go now—and wherever you go, carry the mind of the Spirit with you.

**When death creeps in through the small doors  
through fear, through despair,  
through the slow forgetting of grace  
Remember: the Spirit of God dwells in you.**

The same power that raised Christ from the dead is alive in you tonight.

**So go in the life and peace of Jesus Christ.  
And may the God of all hope fill you with life  
now, and all the way home.**

## CLOSING & THE PEACE

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Leaders in tonight's worship: Rev. Brad DeHaven & Lisa DeHaven

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### ***Prayers for use at home this week:***

Morning – Lord of life, this is a new morning, and I am still here—still breathing, still held. Before the day fills up, I set my mind on you. Not on what I must accomplish, not on what I fear, but on your Spirit, who is life and peace. Dwell in me today. Let your presence be the thing I return to when I drift toward death in all its small disguises. In the name of Jesus, who is my living hope. Amen.

Evening – Lord, the day is done, and I am giving it back to you. The choices I made. The ones I wish I hadn't. The moments when I forgot you were near. I do not come to you in my own righteousness—I come in the grace of Jesus Christ, in whom I am forgiven. Your Spirit is still here. Still breathing. Still making things alive. So let me sleep tonight in that peace—the peace that belongs to those whose minds are stayed on you. Until morning. Amen.



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