

We are an imperfect community striving to live into the beautiful story of God in our wonderful yet broken city. As an historic church with a vibrant future ahead we invite you to join us as we seek God's glory and neighbor's good together!

## WORSHIP NOTES:

- Welcome! If you would like to find out more about our community or speak with one of the pastors, please email Pastor Aaron at [aaron@rescov.org](mailto:aaron@rescov.org).
- Children are welcomed and encouraged to join us in the worship service. We provide a nursery for infants on the main floor and childcare for toddlers in the basement for the duration of worship.
  - Pre-K Activities: Following the Passing of the Peace, Pre-school through Kindergarten aged children are invited to line up in the Narthex for class lasting until communion.
- As you may have noticed, many of the lectionary texts for the weeks preceding Advent begin taking up Advent themes of Christ's second coming, which lead to Reign of Christ the King (next Sunday) and then to the first week of Advent.
- "Creator of the Stars of Night" was a Latin plainsong chant for Advent evening services. The original text—*Creator alme siderum*—dates from somewhere between the seventh and ninth century. It was translated into English by Anglican priest John Mason Neale, who is known for his many translations from Latin to English, including: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor," "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," and "Of the Father's Love Begotten." It is one of the few chant texts in Protestantism (outside of the Anglican communion) that has retained a chant (plainsong) tune.
- The bulletin artwork is a Japanese icon of the archangel Michael from the book of Daniel depicted as a samurai warrior.

**Ordinary Time** is the span of the church calendar that runs between Eastertide and Advent. It received its name not because of its ordinariness, but from the word "ordinal" which simply means counted. It is the time also known as the Season of the Church where we celebrate the growth and mission of the Church through the work of Christ. Because the themes of growth and new life are so prevalent, the color of the season is green.

Aaron Johnson, Dave Bjorlin, Jen Gillan, and  
Kyle Mecher serve as our pastors.



**GATHERING**

## Call to Worship\*

We wait for you, O LORD, our soul waits.

**In your word we hope.**

Our souls wait for you, LORD,  
more than those who watch for the morning.

**Yes, more than those who watch for the morning.**

O Israel, hope in the LORD!

**For with God there is steadfast love  
and great power to redeem.**

It is God who will redeem Israel from all iniquities.

**Let us wait for you, O LORD.**

*-adapted from Psalm 130*

~silence~

## Songs of Faith and Praise\*

*Arise, Shine, for Your Light Has Come*  
*Hosanna*

## Prayer of Confession

**God of mercy,**  
**we confess that we have been led astray**  
**by the attraction of sin:**  
**the love of money,**  
**the promises of politicians,**  
**the pull of power,**  
**the appeal of comfort,**  
**and the lure of cynicism.**  
Save us from our sin, O God,  
and awaken us by your great grace,  
that we may work and pray for your reign  
until it comes again.

~silent confession~

## Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.  
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

## Passing of the Peace\*

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## Song\*

*Beautiful Savior*

**WORD**

Old Testament Lesson

Daniel 12:1-3

**Psalter**

**Psalm 16 (#787)**

Epistle Lesson

Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

Gospel Lesson\*

Mark 13:1-8

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

Sermon

Pastor Aaron

**RESPONSE**

## Hymn\*

*Creator of the Stars of Night (see insert)*

Life Together &

Prayers of the People

Lord's prayer (*debts, debtors*)

Offering

Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*  
*Praise him, all creatures here below;*  
*Praise him above, ye heavenly host;*  
*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Holy Communion

**SENDING**

## Hymn\*

*Soon and Very Soon (#750)*

Charge & Benediction

\*Stand, as you are able