

August 12, 2018

9:30 am

## Invited In

Call to Worship†      Psalm 148 · Hymnal p. 840 (all read **bold print** aloud)  
Hymn No. 165†      Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim  
Invocation†

## Coming Clean

Call to Confession      2 Corinthians 12:7-10

### Confession of Sin

Our Father, you are glorious, powerful, mighty, strong, beautiful, wise, and good. You are the Creator-God. We are creatures. Yet, not just creatures—fallen, broken, sinful creatures. We want to think we are strong. We want to think we are mighty. We want to think we are wise. We want to think the story is all about us. We thank you for Jesus, who became weak: he was born in weakness, as a baby in a manger; he died in weakness, naked on a Roman cross. But through Christ's weakness comes your power in the resurrection. Through defeat came victory; through death life.

And now, in order to know Christ's resurrection power, we must first become weak. It is easy to confess that we are weak. But oh, how difficult to confess my weaknesses. It is easy to confess that we are sinful. But oh, how difficult to confess the sins of my own heart. But our weakness is meant to drive us to your strength, and our sin to your grace. And so, Father, we confess we are weak and powerless. We confess that we are rebellious and full of sin. Forgive us through the blood of Jesus, and empower us through our union with Him. Teach us to walk in weakness, in humble reliance upon your grace and your Spirit, not just day by day, but moment by moment, so that you would be glorified in us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

## Renewing Commitment

Assurance of God's Grace      1 John 1:9  
Hymn No. 498      Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!  
Confession of Faith†      Nicene Creed · Hymnal p. 846

## Drawing Near

Scripture Reading      Joel 2:18-32  
Prayer for the Church  
Hymn No. 163      At the Name of Jesus  
Scripture Reading      Acts 19:1-22 · pew Bible p. 794  
Sermon      The Power of Jesus' Name  
Hymn No. 296†      All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!  
Offering  
Doxology† | Hymn No. 731

## Sent Out

Commissioning & Benediction†  
Announcements

† Please stand as you are able.

Luke Herche, pastor · Scott Morrison, worship leader  
Joe Madden, music director · Cindy Morrison, piano  
Brian Aldridge, prayer leader · Jim Pickell, Scripture reader



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9:00 am Fellowship      See announcements  
9:30 am Worship      for more information

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