

# Morning Worship Service

11:00 a.m.

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

## Preparation for Worship

As you prepare to worship God today, consider the tender mercies of our faithful, covenant keeping God. *“Therefore know that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments,” Deuteronomy 7:9.*

## God Calls Us To Worship

### Salutation

### \*Call to Worship

Psalm 89:1-8

*I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations. <sup>2</sup> For I said, “Steadfast love will be built up forever; in the heavens you will establish your faithfulness.” <sup>3</sup> You have said, “I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant: <sup>4</sup> ‘I will establish your offspring forever, and build your throne for all generations.’” Selah <sup>5</sup> Let the heavens praise your wonders, O LORD, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones! <sup>6</sup> For who in the skies can be compared to the LORD? Who among the heavenly beings<sup>Ⓜ</sup> is like the LORD, <sup>7</sup> a God greatly to be feared in the council of the holy ones, and awesome above all who are around him? <sup>8</sup> O LORD God of hosts, who is mighty as you are, O LORD, with your faithfulness all around you?*

\*Psalm of Praise: 99, “My Song Forever Shall Record”

\*Prayer of Adoration

## We Long for God

Responsive Reading: Psalm 42 (Hymnal p. 800)

As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God.

**My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?**

My tears have been my food day and night, **while men say to me all day long, “Where is your God?”**

These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: **how I used to go with the multitude, leading the procession to the house of God, with shouts of joy and thanksgiving among the festive throng.**

Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me?

**Put your hope in God; for I will yet praise him, my savior and my God.**

My soul is downcast within me; therefore I will remember you from the land of the Jordan, the heights of Hermon - from Mount Mizar.

**Deep calls to deep in the roar of your waterfalls; all your waves and breakers have swept over me.**

By day the LORD directs his love, at night his song is with me - a prayer to the God of my life.

**I say to God, my rock, “Why have you forgotten me?”**

Why must I go about mourning oppressed by the enemy?”

**My bones suffer mortal agony as my foes taunt me, saying to me all day long, “Where is your God?”**

Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me?

**Put your hope in God; for I will yet praise him, my savior and my God.**

Hymn: 662, “As the Hart Longs for Flowing Streams”

## God Speaks To Us Through His Word

\*Hymn: 673 “Cast Your Burden on the Lord”

Prayer of Intercession

\*Scripture Reading: Psalm 137:1-6 (insert)

*By the waters of Babylon, there we sat down and wept, when we remembered Zion. <sup>2</sup> On the willows<sup>Ⓜ</sup> there we hung up our lyres. <sup>3</sup> For there our captors required of us songs, and our tormentors, mirth, saying, “Sing us one of the songs of Zion!” <sup>4</sup> How shall we sing the LORD's song in a foreign land? <sup>5</sup> If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget its skill! <sup>6</sup> Let my tongue stick to the roof of my mouth, if I do not remember you, if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy!*

\*Response to God's Word: 734, “Gloria Patri”

Message: “By the Waters of Babylon” Ryan Heaton

\*Hymn: 469, “How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place”

## We Receive God's Blessing

\*Benediction

\*Response: 733, “Doxology”

\*Please stand