



The Worship of God

Wayzata Community Church

February 25, 2018 • 9:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Welcome to Wayzata Community Church where lots of different people come together for the shared purpose of worshiping God and encouraging each other through the inclusive love of Jesus. Whether you are our guest, looking for a church home, or already a member, we want you to feel welcomed by our congregation and inspired and uplifted by our worship service.

Families are embraced here. Your child is welcome to stay in worship or we have excellent, fun, faith learning for children pre-school through High School. A “cry room” is available for your comfort at the back of the Sanctuary.

- Early childhood go straight to classrooms before service
- K-5 begin in worship; leave with Jodie, pickup in the gym
- MS begin in worship, leave with Christa, pickup in MS room
- HS Pathways 10:15-11:45 in the Loft (3rd floor)

For help finding a room, please see a greeter or usher.



OUR VISION

Inspire the world with the inclusive love of Jesus.

OUR MISSION

To be a caring community drawn together by God's grace and called to personally live out Christ's love.

To actively extend a welcome invitation to all people, embracing each other with uncompromising compassion.

To boldly challenge our own complacency through courageous conversation and transformational worship.

To relentlessly share our extraordinary gifts through life-changing mission and service-near and far.

MUSIC NOTES:

In *The Wizard Of Oz* Dorothy and Toto are traveling the yellow brick road when they come to an intersection. As they contemplate the best road to take, a scarecrow hanging in a field suggests one route, and then another. He cannot make up his mind which road is best. Dorothy tells him that is not helpful and Scarecrow replies, "That's the trouble: I can't make up my mind. I haven't got a brain." Of course, the scarecrow's dilemma is not that he lacks a brain. His problem is a lack of confidence in the brain he has. In fact, the Scarecrow is the only one who ever points out that he doesn't have one. He feels poorly equipped to deal with the challenges of life. The song Kai Brewster sings this morning is from Act I in our production, when Dorothy meets Scarecrow. He goes on and on about all the things he would do IF he only had a brain. Our Anthem today by composer Cody Carnes is one I would suggest Scarecrow listen to. When all the voices in the world, as well as our own are telling us that we aren't good enough or in Scarecrow's case, smart enough, God tells us that we are beautifully and wonderfully made. He knows our very name and our every need. Indeed I am all He says I am.

He whispers in my ear, tells me that I'm fearless.

He shares a melody, tells me to repeat it.

And it makes me whole, it reminds my soul.

I am all He says I am, and He says I am His own.



You are invited to remain in the Sanctuary as long as you wish or, you may proceed to Founders Hall for fellowship and coffee.

If you have joys or concerns to share with us, one of our clergy leaders will be near the Prayer Room at the back of the Sanctuary.



WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher	Rev. Dr. John F. Ross
Liturgists	Rev. Rustin Comer, Rev. S. Lindy Purdy
Music	Tapestry & Celebration Singers
Deacons	Andy Jacobson
Head Ushers	Jim Cada & Steve Beachler
Ushers	The Bob Nash Team

Worship Order

+ Indicates an invitation to rise in body or spirit.

GATHERING MUSIC *Rescuer (Good News)* Benjamin Hastings
 Tapestry & Celebration Singers

He is beauty for the blind man, riches for the poor,
 He is friendship for the one the world ignores.
 He is pasture for the weary, rest for those who strive,
 Oh, the good Lord is the way, the truth, the life.

OPENING PRAYER Lindy Purdy

+ SONGS OF PRAISE *Look To The Son* Joel Houston

(Chorus) Oh we look to the Son, set our eyes on our Savior,
 See the image of love, sing His praises forever.
 Oh, we look to the Son.

Your love, tearing through the dead of night,
 See the kingdom burst into color at the speed of light.
 Freedom, shaking up the atmosphere.
 As the shadows fade into nothing, as the day appears.
 Beyond the skies above, love reaching out for us,
 The everlasting One, Jesus our God. (Chorus)

Creation, waking up to kingdom come.
 See the hope of heaven shining like the rising sun.
 Now forever, lifted up from death to life.
 There's no fear in love, and no darkness in His endless light
 Beyond the skies above, love reaching out for us,
 The everlasting One, Jesus our God. (Chorus)

COMMUNITY MOMENTS

John Ross

Create In Me

Rend Collective

Create in me a clean, clean heart. Create in me a work of art.
Create in me a miracle, something real and beautiful.

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PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Rustin Comer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever. Amen.**

CALL TO OUR CHILDREN & YOUTH Jodie Nyberg & Christa Workmon

OFFERTORY

If I Only Had A Brain

Harold Arlen

Kai Brewster and Syndey Baumgartner

(Scarecrow and Dorothy from our GWCT Production *The Wizard Of Oz*)

SCRIPTURE READING

John 8:31-38

Reid Shaw

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Scarecrow: *Finding Freedom*

John Ross

ANTHEM

All He Says I Am

Cody Carnes

Tapestry

*I was blinded by scales upon my eyes.
Then He came like a light and burned up all the lies.
Oh and He set me free, He reminded me.
Chains are broken and scales are on the floor.
Truth is spoken, I'm no orphan anymore.
Oh I am loved and I am new again.*

SENDING PRAYER

Lindy Purdy

+ SENDING SONG

Cornerstone

Edward Mote

My hope is built on nothing less,
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness,
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
but wholly trust in Jesus' Name. (Repeat)

(Chorus) Christ alone cornerstone,
weak made strong in the Savior's love.
Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all.

When truth is lost, I seek God's face.
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.
My anchor holds within the veil. (Chorus Twice)

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+ BENEDICTION

John Ross

Leader: For what does the Lord require of us?

**All: To do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our
God. (Micah 6:8)**

SENDING MUSIC

Tapestry Band

...The End of Worship, the Beginning of Service...