

JAY GOULD MEMORIAL REFORMED CHURCH
September 21, 2025 ONLINE ORDER OF WORSHIP

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The Approach to God

Prelude: "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us", arr. Larry Shackley,

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Introit: "We Have Come to Worship the Lord", by Charles Yannerella,

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Call to Worship (from Psalm 86) Rev. Richard Dykstra

Leader: There is none like you, O Lord

People: Nor are there any works like yours.

L: All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you,

O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

P: For you are great and do wondrous things, you alone are God.

Hymn: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Prayer of Invocation

Our Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Lord, so many times we have wandered off in our own directions, chasing after our dreams,
only to wake up and find ourselves completely lost without You. We have focused only on the
present and forgotten You are the God of Eternity. We have failed You, yet You love us still.
Forgive us, Lord, and lead us lovingly home.... (silent prayer). Amen.**

The Response: "O Lord, hear my prayer"

Words of Assurance (*from Rom 3:22 and Heidelberg Cat. # 21*)

L: Righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.

**P: By faith I have a deep-rooted assurance, created in me by the Holy Spirit through the gospel,
that, out of sheer grace earned for us by Christ, not only others, but I too, have had my sins
forgiven, have been made forever right with God, and have been granted salvation.**

The Law of God

Hymn: "I Love to Tell the Story"

The Word of God

Scripture: Luke 15:1-10 Andrea Cammer, Reader

Anthem: "The King of Love", Irish hymn tune/arr. Gerald Custer

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Sermon: "Don't Forget to Party"

Our Response to the Word of God

The Affirmation (*Unison*) *from Romans 8*

**We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all
things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose.**

**We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present,
nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Offertory: "Fairest Lord Jesus (You Are Beautiful to Me)", arr. Heather Sorenson,

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Prayer of Dedication & Doxology

Prayers of Intercession

Hymn: "O Zion, Haste"

Benediction

Choral Response: "The King of Love" (*Reprise*)

Postlude: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Lloyd Larson,

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