



WALKER'S CHAPEL

A Nation Under God

The King's Image

July 12, 2026 • The Sundays of Pentecost

Service of Worship
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Prelude, Announcements, and Preparation

Words of Greeting

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus and the love of God and
the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

God Calls His People and Reveals Himself

God calls His people to worship and come before Him. The Creator of all things reveals Himself through His Word and calls us into His presence.

Call to Worship • Psalm 24

The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof,
the world and those who dwell therein,
for he has founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the rivers.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?
And who shall stand in his holy place?
He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not lift up his soul to what is false
and does not swear deceitfully.
He will receive blessing from the Lord
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
Such is the generation of those who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!
Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory!

Invocation

Hymn of Praise • O Worship the King (Hymnal, 2)

God Calls His People to Confession, Repentance, and Reconciliation

The People of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.

Hymn of Prayer • Lamb of God

Lamb of God Who takes a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on

us. Lamb of God Who takes a - way the sins of the world, have

mer - cy on us. Lamb of God Who takes a - way the sins of the

world, Grant us Your peace. Grant us Your peace. Grant us Your peace.

Prayer of Confession • Dan 4:17; Psa 24:1; Rom 13:1; 1 Sam 8:7; Acts 5:29; Isa 33:22

Leader: Father, You rule in the kingdom of men and give authority according to Your wisdom, yet we often imagine that nations belong to themselves and rulers answer only to the people.

People: We have trusted princes more than You and looked to earthly power for the salvation only You can give.

Leader: The earth is Yours and everything in it, yet we have treated governments, laws, and cultures as though they existed apart from Your authority.

People: We have been tempted either to idolize political power or to despise the institutions You have ordained.

Leader: Forgive us for fearing men more than You and for failing to obey You whenever earthly authority has opposed Your commands.

People: Grant us courage to honor rightful authority while remaining faithful to Christ above every earthly ruler.

Leader: Teach us to render unto Caesar what belongs to Caesar, but never to surrender to Caesar what belongs only to You.

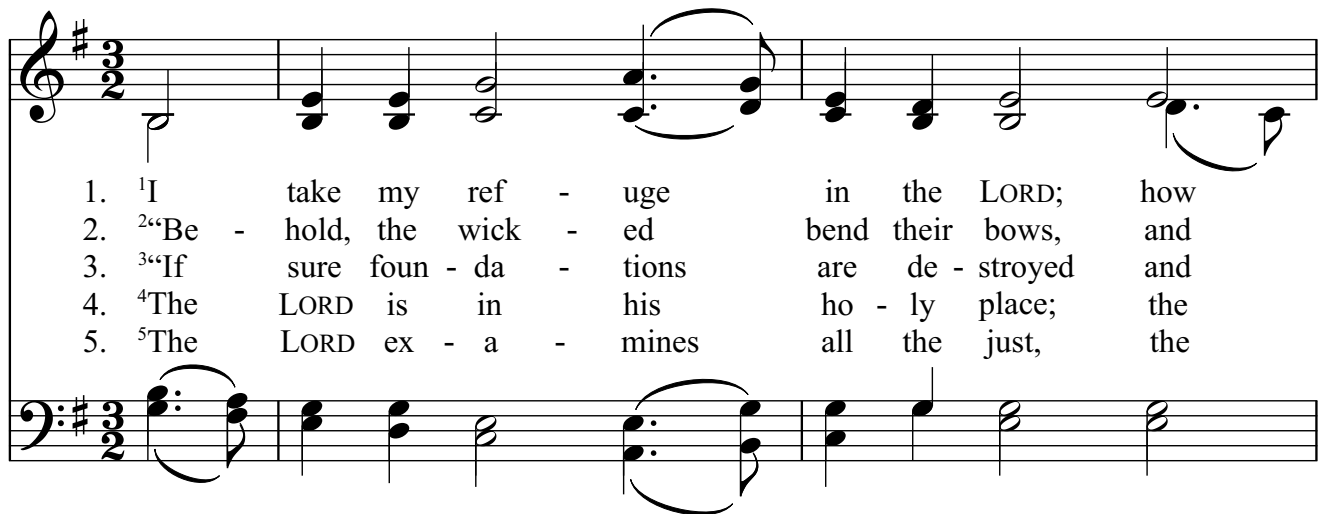
All: Establish in us reverence for Your sovereign rule, wisdom toward earthly authorities, and unwavering allegiance to Jesus Christ, to whom every nation will bow. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

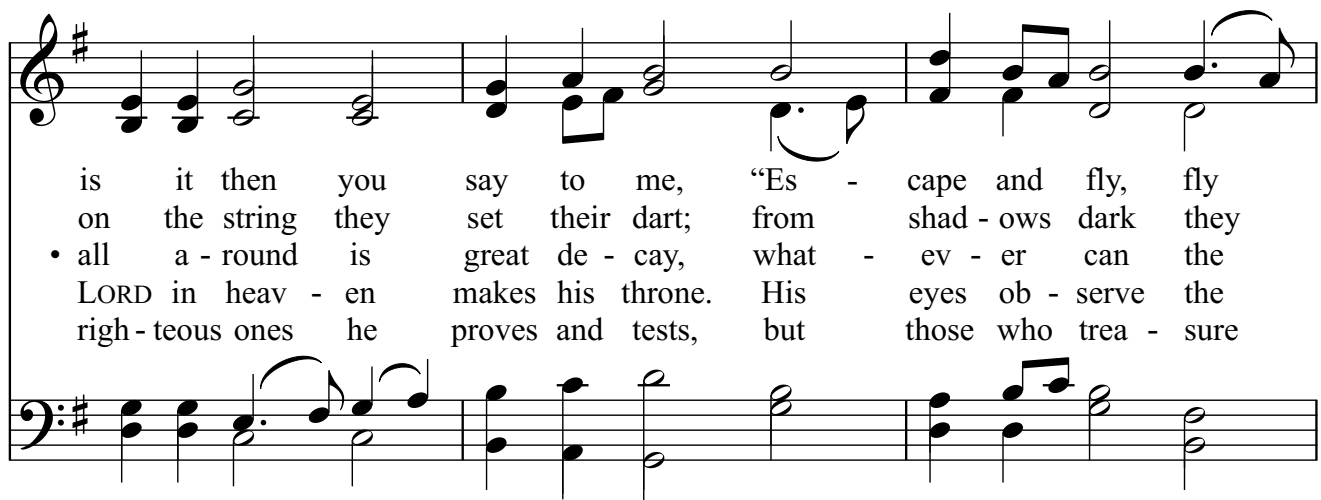
Assurance of Pardon • Ephesians 1:7-10

“In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth in him.” ***Amen.***

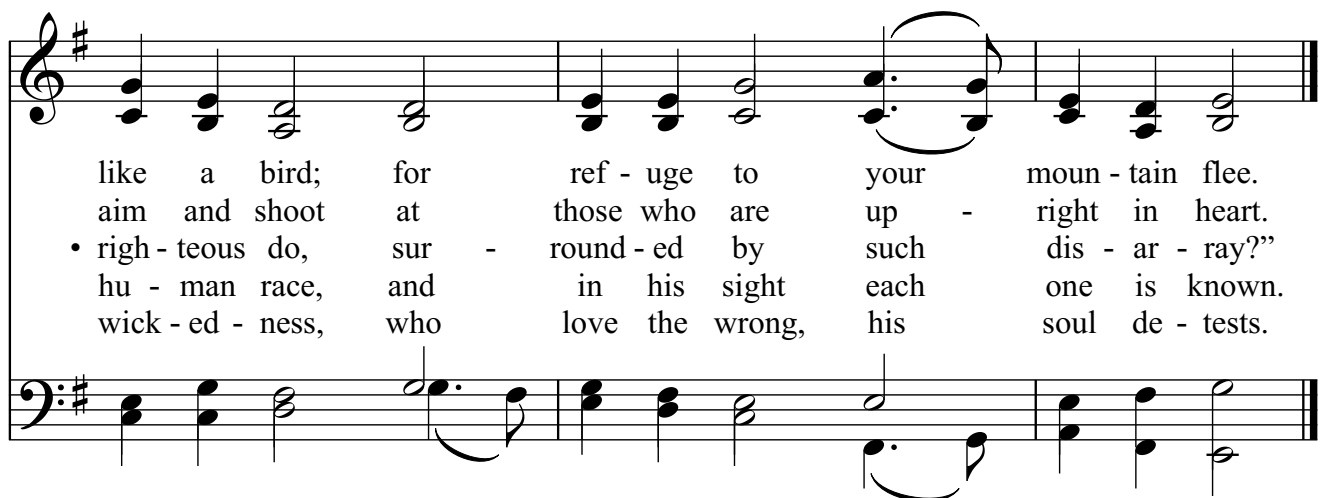
Psalm of Confidence • Psalm 11



1. ¹I take my ref - uge in the LORD; how
 2. ²Be - hold, the wick - ed bend their bows, and
 3. ³If sure foun - da - tions are de - stroyed and
 4. ⁴The LORD is in his ho - ly place; the
 5. ⁵The LORD ex - a - mines all the just, the



is it then you say to me, "Es - cape and fly, fly
 on the string they set their dart; from shad - ows dark they
 • all a - round is great de - cay, what - ev - er can the
 LORD in heav - en makes his throne. His eyes ob - serve the
 righ - teous ones he proves and tests, but those who trea - sure



like a bird; for ref - uge to your moun - tain flee.
 aim and shoot at those who are up - right in heart.
 • righ - teous do, sur - round - ed by such dis - ar - ray?"
 hu - man race, and in his sight each one is known.
 wick - ed - ness, who love the wrong, his soul de - tests.

6. ⁶On wicked men the LORD will rain
 his fiery coals and sulfur hot.
 A scorching wind on them will blow;
 such punishment will be their lot.
7. ⁷For God the LORD is righteous still,
 in righteous ways, he takes delight;
 and they alone will see his face
 who are in heart and deeds upright.

God Teaches Us Through His Word

Scripture Reading

Daniel 4:28-37

All this came upon King Nebuchadnezzar. At the end of twelve months he was walking on the roof of the royal palace of Babylon, and the king answered and said, “Is not this great Babylon, which I have built by my mighty power as a royal residence and for the glory of my majesty?” While the words were still in the king’s mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, “O King Nebuchadnezzar, to you it is spoken: The kingdom has departed from you, and you shall be driven from among men, and your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field. And you shall be made to eat grass like an ox, and seven periods of time shall pass over you, until you know that the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom he will.” Immediately the word was fulfilled against Nebuchadnezzar. He was driven from among men and ate grass like an ox, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven till his hair grew as long as eagles’ feathers, and his nails were like birds’ claws.

At the end of the days I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes to heaven, and my reason returned to me, and I blessed the Most High, and praised and honored him who lives forever, for his dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom endures from generation to generation; all the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, and he does according to his will among the host of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth; and none can stay his hand or say to him, “What have you done?”

At the same time my reason returned to me, and for the glory of my kingdom, my majesty and splendor returned to me. My counselors and my lords sought me, and I was established in my kingdom, and still more greatness was added to me. Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven, for all his works are right and his ways are just; and those who walk in pride he is able to humble.

Matthew 22:15-22

Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words. And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone’s opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. And Jesus said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?” They said, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them, “Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

Sermon

The King’s Image – Jeremiah Pent, Pastor

God’s People Respond in Grateful Praise

Hymn of Prayer • O Father, You Are Sovereign (Hymnal, 75)

Profession of Faith • Colossians 1:15-20

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.
For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth,
visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—
all things were created through him and for him.
And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.
And he is the head of the body, the church.
He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,
that in everything he might be preeminent.
For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
and through him to reconcile to himself all things,
whether on earth or in heaven,
making peace by the blood of his cross.

Prayers of Praise, Thanksgiving, and Petition

The Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. ***Amen***

God Sends His People Out to Be Light in Darkness

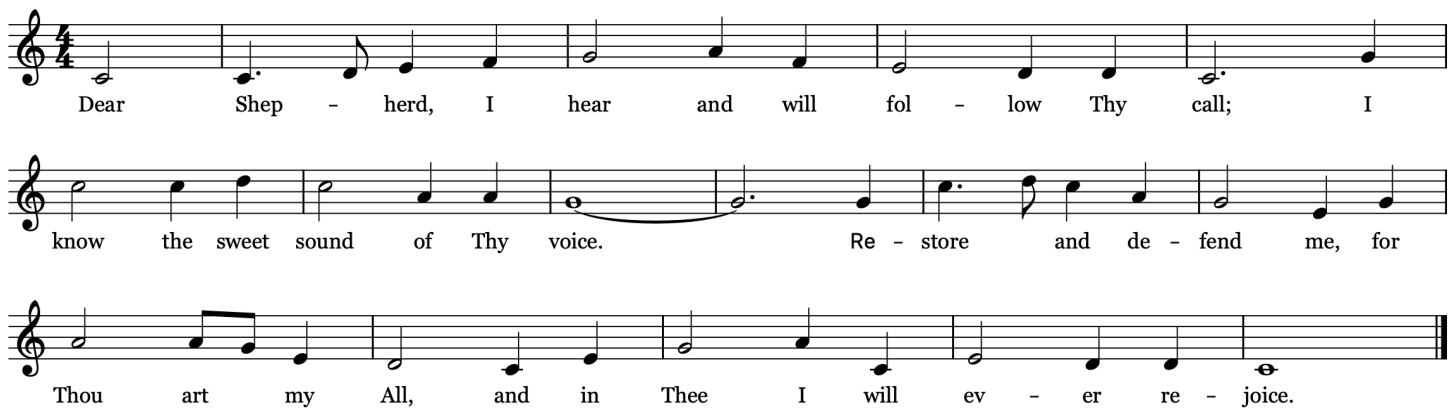
*After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, and instructing them in His Word,
God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.*

Hymn of Faith • This is My Father's World (Hymnal, 111)

Benediction • Revelation 11:15b

“The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.” ***Amen.***

O Thou in Whose Presence



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