

## Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

**\*Doxology**

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**\*Confession of Faith** – Westminster Confession 11.5 (in unison)

**God continues to forgive the sins of those who are justified. Although they can never fall from the state of justification, they may by their sins come under God's fatherly displeasure and not have a sense of his presence with them until they humble themselves, confess their sins, ask for forgiveness, and renew their faith in repentance.**

*GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE*

**\*Closing Hymn**

*The Church's One Foundation*

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**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

## Leaders of Today's Service

Pastor	Mark Tippin
Choirmaster	Zach Vreeman
Accompanist	Marilyn Fry
Liturgist	Henry Groenberg
Head Usher	Nita Christensen

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If you have any questions, prayer requests, or are ready and excited to join our mission to reach all of Casper for Christ, contact the church office or Pastor Mark.

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## Welcome to our Visitors

To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come -- this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of Jesus her Lord.

We are glad you are here to worship with us this morning! The pamphlet in the pew pocket will help you get to know our church better, and please fill out and return the visitor form also so that we can get to know you. We have fellowship and refreshments after the service in the parlor, which is through the doors at the front of the sanctuary.

Children are welcomed and encouraged to remain in the worship service, however a nursery is available for infants and pre-school-aged children. Ask anyone around you for directions. Activity bags are also available in the rear of the sanctuary for children to use during the service.



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## ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2017

*\*Please stand if you are able*

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

*GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE FOR WORSHIP*

**\*Call to Worship** From Psalm 97

**Leader:** The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad! Clouds and thick darkness are all around him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

**People:** His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

**Leader:** The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory.

**People:** Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

**\*Opening Hymn** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

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**\*Invocation**

**\*Singing of Psalm 45:8-17** (To the tune of *Crown Him with Many Crowns*)

Verse 1

With cassia, aloes, myrrh,  
Thy robes sweet fragrance had;  
From palaces of ivory  
The sweet harps made Thee glad,  
King's daughters are among  
Those who in honor stand.  
Thy bride arrayed in Ophir gold  
There stands at Thy right hand.

Verse 2

O daughter, hear and heed;  
Incline to me thine ear;  
“Forget thou now thy people all,  
Thy father's household dear.  
Thy beauty to the King  
Shall then delightful be;  
Because He is thy Lord, do thou  
To Him bow rev'rently.”

Verse 3

The daughter then of Tyre  
There with a gift shall be,  
And all the wealthy of the land  
Will make requests of Thee.  
The daughter of the King  
All glorious waits within;  
Her lovely gown with threads of gold  
Has interwoven been.

Verse 4

She to the King is led  
In fine embroidery;  
The bridesmaids in her train, her friends,  
Are brought to honor Thee.  
Attendants following  
Their joy and gladness bring,  
Until they all have entered there  
The Palace of the King.

Verse 5

Then in Thy fathers' stead  
Thy children Thou shalt take  
And everywhere in all the earth  
Them noble princes make.  
Through every coming age  
I'll make Thy name to live;  
The peoples therefore evermore  
Their praise to Thee shall give.

GOD HEARS OUR CONFESSION

**Ten Commandments Table II** (in unison)

Ten Commandments Table II (Exodus 20:12-17) Pew Bible [Blue] p. 61, [Red] p. 78

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession** (in unison)

Lord, we honor you with our lips, but our hearts are far from you.  
We say Jesus is Lord, and yet we fail to repent of those things which  
are not pleasing to you. We find it easier to question what you say  
than to obey you before we fully understand everything. Forgive us  
of our sins in the name of Jesus Christ. Lead us, by the power of the  
Holy Spirit, to hate the things that do not please you and to love the  
things you desire for us. (Silent Confession) **Amen!**

**Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Brothers and sisters, hear, believe and receive the good news of the  
Gospel – in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.  
People: **Thanks be to God for his grace!**

**Passing of the Peace**

Leader: Peace be with you.  
People: **And also with you.**

**Gloria Patri**

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**Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer**

**Anthem**

GOD BRINGS US HIS WORD

**Prayer for Illumination**

**New Testament Scripture**

Luke 13:18-30, Pew Bible [Blue] p. 873, [Red] p. 1110

**Sermon**

*Too Late to Knock*

Mark Tippin

OUR RESPONSE TO HIS WORD

**\*Hymn of Response**

*This Is My Father's World*

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