

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE

*Closing Hymn	<i>Amazing Grace!</i>	#460
*Benediction		
Postlude	<i>Morning Song</i>	Martiin



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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.

*\*Please stand if you are able*

**Prelude**                      *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*                      Kingsfold

Welcome and Announcements

GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE FOR WORSHIP

**\*Call to Worship** (From Isaiah 40:9-10)

**Leader:** Go on up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news.  
**People:** Lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news.  
**Leader:** Lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!"  
**People:** Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him.  
**Leader:** Behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.  
**People:** Let us worship the Lord with expectation.

**\*Opening Hymn**      *Now Thank We All Our God*                      #98

**\*Invocation**

**\*Singing of Psalm 65:1-5** (To the tune of *Stand Up Stand Up for Jesus*)

Praise waits for Thee in Zion!  
To Thee vows paid shall be.  
O God, of prayer the hearer,  
All flesh shall come to Thee.  
Iniquities are daily  
Prevailing over me,  
But all of our transgressions  
Are covered o'er by Thee.

How blessed the man Thou chooseth  
And bringest near to Thee,  
That in Thy courts forever  
His dwelling place may be.  
We shall within Thy temple  
Be wholly satisfied  
And filled with all the goodness  
Thy sacred courts provide.

O God of our salvation,  
Thou in Thy righteousness  
With awesome deeds and wonders  
Thine answer will express,  
O Thou in Whom confiding  
All ends of earth agree,  
And people who are sailing  
Upon the farthest sea.

*GOD HEARS OUR CONFESSION*

**Ten Commandments** (in unison)

Ten Commandments Table I (Exodus 20:1-11) Pew Bible [Blue] p. 61, [Red] p. 77

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession** (in unison)

Eternal God, you make all things new and forgive all wrongs we can't forget. We confess that we have spent time without loving and years without purpose, and the calendar condemns us. Daily we have done wrong and failed to do what you demand. Forgive the past; do not let evil cripple or shame us. Lead us into the future, free from sin, free to love, and ready to work for your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ the Lord. (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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*GOD BRINGS US HIS WORD*

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Old Testament Scripture**

Leviticus 15:25-30, Pew Bible [Blue] p. 94, [Red] p. 120

**New Testament Scripture**

Luke 8:40-56, Pew Bible [Blue] p. 866, [Red] p. 1101

**Sermon** *God Loves Interruptions*

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*OUR RESPONSE TO HIS WORD*

**\*Hymn of Response** *This Is My Father's World*

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**Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer**

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

Offertory *I Am His, and He Is Mine* Mountain

**\*Doxology** #731

**\*Confession of Faith** – Westminster Confession 11.1 (in unison)

Those whom God effectually calls he also freely justifies. He does not pour righteousness into them but pardons their sins and looks on them and accepts them as if they were righteous—not because of anything worked in them or done by them, but for Christ's sake alone. He does not consider their faith itself, the act of believing, as their righteousness or any other obedient response to the gospel on their part. Rather, he imputes to them the obedience and judicial satisfaction earned by Christ. For their part, they receive and rest on Christ and his righteousness by faith (and this faith is not their own but is itself a gift of God).