

welcome

We are so glad you're here with us today. Our desire is for you to experience both rest and worship throughout this Sunday morning. If you'd like to learn more about how to get connected at Ward follow these simple steps...

next steps

GATHER for worship | We come together each week with our full passion, intensity, and creativity. In worship, we respond with all that we are to all that we know God to be. We sing, we listen, we learn, and we grow. And it inspires us to live a life of worship - giving God His place in all things at all times. Our hope is that people will leave our services knowing they have encountered the true and living God.

CONNECT with others | Life change happens best in the context of relationships. In a circle of friends, with the Word open, and hearts surrendered, we get to spur one another on to love and good deeds. We serve each other and our world. Joining a group or a serve team is a significant step toward experiencing biblical community and purpose.

INVITE into the mission | God's mission in this world is too big for us alone. We invite our friends and neighbors to participate in God's work to redeem and renew all things. We share the love of Jesus and invite people into the life that God designed us for.

new guests

Thank you again for deciding to worship with us today!

You can learn more about our upcoming events in the Ward monthly insert or visit our main info desk in our Hub near Entry 1.

We would love for you to fill out the communication card to help us know how to best connect with you.

Also, don't forget to pick up your free first-time guest coffee card at the welcome desk good for complimentary drinks at ReNu. Finally, if there's any way we can serve you, please don't hesitate to talk with one of our pastors, volunteers, staff, or e-mail us at info@wardchurch.org.

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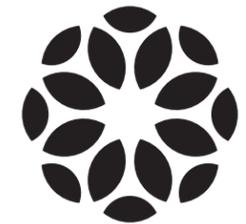
Membership Vows

According to the EPC Book of Order 9-2.D, people being received into membership are "to assent to the following declarations and promises, by which you enter into a solemn covenant with Christ and the Church."

1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God and without hope for your salvation except in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and the Savior of sinners, and do you receive and depend upon Him alone for your salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now promise and resolve, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
4. Do you promise to serve Christ in His Church by supporting and participating with this congregation in its service of God and its ministry to others to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church and to the spiritual oversight of this Church Session, and do you promise to promote the unity, purity and peace of the Church?

To the Congregation:

Do you receive these candidates as members of this local body, and do you promise to support them as they see to love God, serve others, and share faith in our midst?



classic worship

February 19, 2017
8 a.m. & 11 a.m.



Celebrating God’s Presence

Prelude

John Beresford | piano [8 a.m.]

Precious Lord, Take My Hand | The Ward Orchestra [11 a.m.]

Gathering of God’s People

Introit | O Taste And See [11 a.m.]

The Ward Chancel Choir with Kristine Overman, soloist

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is
blest is the man that trusteth in Him

Ralph V. Williams

*Hymn #686 | O God, Our Help In Ages Past

*Profession of Faith | Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1

Rev. Doug Thompson

My only comfort in life and in death
is that I am not my own
but belong –
body and soul
in life and in death
to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ

He has fully paid for all my sin with his
precious blood
and has set me free from the tyranny
of the devil
He also watches over me in such a way
that not a hair can fall from my head
without the will of my Father in heaven

In fact, all things must work together
for my salvation
because I belong to him

Christ, by his Holy Spirit
assures me of eternal life
and makes me wholeheartedly willing
and ready
from now on to live for him.

*Prayer of Adoration

Welcome & Announcements

Video | *Every Daughter Deserves to Dream*

Pastoral Prayer

Reception of New Members [8 a.m.]

Ann Streeter and Mark Suddendorf

Baptism [11 a.m.]

Callie Jo Hubbard

Reception of New Members [11 a.m.]

Walter & Louise Clarkson, Helen Craver, Rondall Elliott, Callie Hubbard and
Don & Kristina Taylor

*for the complete list of all new members being received this morning in this and other services,
please refer to the LINKS*

Membership and congregational vows are printed on the back of this bulletin.

*Hymn | Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,
Breathe new life into my willing soul.
Bring the presence of the risen Lord
To renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your Word to come alive in me;
Give me faith for what I cannot see;
Give me passion for Your purity.
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within;
May Your joy be seen in all I do
Love enough to cover every sin
In each thought and deed and attitude,
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my striving into works of grace.
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
Giving life to all that God has made,
Show Your power once again on earth;
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise.
Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ
Will be clear for all the world to see.

CCLI #4779872 | Keith Getty
and Stuart Townend

Hearing God’s Word

Scripture | from Genesis 1 and 2

Sermon | Venus & Mars: *Sexual Beings*

Rev. Dr. Scott McKee, Senior Pastor

Responding to God’s Word

Offering Introduction | Prayer

Offertory | Untitled Hymn (Come to Jesus)

Weak and wounded sinner
Lost and left to die
O, raise your head, for Love is passing by
Come to Jesus, come to Jesus
Come to Jesus and live!

Now your burden's lifted
And carried far away
And precious blood has washed away the
stain, so sing to Jesus, sing to Jesus
Sing to Jesus and live!

And like a newborn baby
Don't be afraid to crawl
And remember when you walk
Sometimes we fall, so
Fall on Jesus, fall on Jesus
Fall on Jesus and live!

Sometimes the way is lonely
And steep and filled with pain
So if your sky is dark and pours the rain, then
Cry to Jesus. cry to Jesus
Cry to Jesus and live!

And when the love spills over
And music fills the night
And when you can't contain your joy inside,
then dance for Jesus, dance for Jesus
Dance for Jesus and live!

And with your final heartbeat
Kiss the world goodbye
Then go in peace, and laugh on Glory's side,
and fly to Jesus, fly to Jesus
Fly to Jesus and live!
Fly to Jesus, fly to Jesus
Fly to Jesus and live!

CCLI # 4261050 | Chris Rice

Communion [8 a.m.]

Rev. Dr. Scott McKee, Rev. Doug Thompson and Elders Malcolm Bain and Dan Hooker

*Hymn | How Deep the Father's Love For Us [11 a.m.]

How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

CCLI #1558110 | Stuart Townend

*Hymn #638 | I Need Thee Every Hour

Sending God’s People

Closing Messages and Benediction

**Congregation members stand, as they are able*