THE WORSHIP OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD AT SWIFT CHURCH

Seventh Sunday of Easter

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 97 Chuck Carneal

Leader: The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice!

People: We tremble at God's awesome works!

Leader: The heavens proclaim God's righteousness!

People: The Lord is our guard and protector!

Leader: Light dawns and joy fills our hearts!

People: Rejoice in the Lord and give thanks!

*HYMN #228

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silent Prayer

Merciful God, you desire that the world might see your light shine through us. Yet we confess we are often too blinded by the glittering temptations of this world. We turn from your way, hurting the very ones we were called to serve, in our action and our inaction. We grow frustrated with each other, seeking to silence anything besides our own desires. We fail to see your righteousness and champion greed and discord in the name of power and

popularity. Forgive us. Melt us and mold us into more faithful disciples, seeking your light, reflecting your mercy, and sharing your grace. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

*RESPONSE #68 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"
There's a wideness in God's mercy.
Like the wideness of the sea:
There's a kindness in His justice which is more than liberty.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

John 17:20-26

SECOND READING Revelation 22:12–14,16-17,20–21

RESPONSE

Leader: This is the word of God, for the people of

God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Come, Lord Jesus!" Reverend Alexandra Hutson

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #380

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "Apostles' Creed" I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN #425

"In the Garden"

I come to the garden alone.
While the dew is still on the roses;
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear,
The Son of God discloses.
And He walks with me, and He talks with me,
And He tells me I am His own;
And the joy we share as we tarry there

None other has ever known.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***RESPONSE** #625

"Doxology"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

People: And also with you. Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

***HYMN** # 367

"Wherever He Leads I'll Go"

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*CHARGE

Leader: Good people of Swift Church, who are you? **People: Striving to bring God joy, we proclaim** Christ's love and grace through serving and nurturing body, mind and soul.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Music is licensed through CCLI.

THIS WEEK AT SWIFT

Sunday, June 1

Sunday School, 9:00am Worship in the Sanctuary, 10:00am

Wednesday, May 28

Prayer Group, 9:00am Food Pantry, 10:00–11:00am



Please join us in the fellowship hall for fellowship time immediately following worship!

Welcome to Swift Church

June 1, 2025



We proclaim Christ's love and grace through serving and nurturing body, mind, and soul.

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