



**11.12.2017**  
season of Ordinary Time

## Welcome.

Iron Works is a church that exists for more than ourselves. We follow the way of Jesus for the good of West Chester.

No matter who you are — a committed follower of Jesus, a person curious about Christianity, or a skeptic of spirituality — God has you here for a reason. Wherever you are in your journey, we hope that you feel welcomed and at home. We offer this worship guide to you to help you follow along throughout the service and engage with God, others, and yourself.

We follow an ancient structure of worship, commonly called liturgy, drawing from the wisdom of Christians who have gone before us. We renew our commitment to God, offer him our prayers and gifts, confess our sins, hear from God's word, and sing songs - all in worship.

We find that worshipping this way liberates us from our obsession with new things. We have also found that worshipping this way is deeply and profoundly formative over time. If you are not used to worship, or worshipping in this matter, feel free to take whatever time you need. We make every effort to explain things as we go along.

## This Guide at a glance.

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## Quotes for Reflection

The most extraordinary thing in the world is an ordinary man and an ordinary woman and their ordinary children.

— GK Chesterton

Compared to the staggering greatness of what we were intended to be, we have become faint shadows of our true selves.

— Graham Tomlin

*Please silence all devices for the duration of worship.*

*Text in **bold** is read aloud by the congregation. Plain text is read by the liturgist.*

**\*Song<sup>1</sup>**

*Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

**\*Greeting**

The Lord be with you!

**And also with you!**

**Call to Worship**

*from Psalms 108:1-5*

**1** My heart is steadfast, O God! I will sing and make melody with all my being!

**2** Awake, O harp and lyre! I will awake the dawn!

**3** I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples; I will sing praises to you among the nations.

**4** For your steadfast love is great above the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

**Opening Prayer**

**\*Songs**

*Rock of Ages*

*Oh, Great is our God*

**\*Prayers of Adoration**

*Use this time to shout out Scriptures or short prayers of praise that celebrate the beauty and goodness of our God.*

**Call to Confession**

*Micah 6:6-8*

**6** "With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?

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**1** If marked with an asterisk (\*), please stand if able.

**7** Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"

**8** He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God!**

*Prayer of Confession.*

*from the Book of Common Prayer*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness*

Friends, Hear the good news! Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.

**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.**

**Thanks be to God!!**

*\*Offering & Song*

*Great Are You Lord*

*Passing of the Peace*

Peace of the Lord be with you.

*Jesus makes us right with God, which means we can have right relationships with our possessions and one another.*

**Offering**

*We give back to God recognizing he gives us all that we have. If Iron Works is your church home, you can give online or the offering plate.*

## **And also with you.**

*\*If you have a prayer item, please fill out a note card and put it in the basket on the communion table. We'll pray for these in a few moments.*

## **Announcements**

*What is going on at Iron Works Church?*

## **Prayers of the People**

*During this time we will pray for the needs and items that were submitted for prayer during the passing of the peace.*

Lord, shape us by the prayer that you taught us to pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we have forgiven our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

*4 year olds - 2nd graders, who are participating in Kid's Church are invited forward for prayer before dismissed.*

## **Blessing and Dismissal of the Children**

People of God, what is our prayer for these children?

**May the Lord be with you.**

**Children: And also with you.**

May the Lord bless you and keep you;  
may the Lord grow you strong in his grace,  
may the Lord fill you with the love of Christ.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

## ***Scripture Lesson***

### ***Romans 12:1-2***

**1** I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

**2** Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God!**

## ***Sermon***

### ***Saved to Serve***

***- Rev. Robbie Schmidtberger***

*Use the space below for notes, comments, or questions.*

## PRAYER FOR THOSE SEEKING

*Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, then lead me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.*

## PRAYER FOR BELIEF

*Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment upon the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.*

### *\*Communion*

the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

So we join our voices together with all of heaven, singing:

*Worthy is the Lamb who was slain*

*Holy, holy is He*

*Sing a new song to Him who sits on*

*Heaven's mercy seat*

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty*

*Who was and is and is to come*

*With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings*

*You are my everything and I will adore you.*

### *Prayer & Words of Institution*

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

**Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

*A Word of Instruction: Our Pastor and communion assistants will first serve the music team. Once they begin playing the communion song, you are invited forward to the communion station and partake. Grape juice is available in the tray; wine is available in the common cup.*

### *Communion Song*

*Lord of Lords*

*\*Prayer of Communion*

**Lord Jesus, your perfect life, your death, and your resurrection are the source of all blessing in this life and the life to come. As we eat this bread and drink this cup, renew us in the joy and delight of knowing you and serving you. We come before you, not claiming perfection, but knowing we are a mess and you are gracious. As you offer yourself completely and fully for us, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice. Amen.**

*\*Song*

*Future/Past*

*\*Benediction*

May the love of God, and the grace of Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all this week.

**Amen.**

*\*Charge*

Go and offer your every moment of every day to the God who loves you.

**Alleluia! Amen!**

*Benediction - As God sends us out, he speaks his good word over us.*



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## ***Kids @ Iron Works***

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me." We believe that children are incredibly important, so we offer a nursery and more to help you worship. All our workers are trained and screened to ensure the safety of your child.

**Restrooms** are located in the hallway next to the sanctuary.

**Nursery** (for newborns to 3 yr olds) - includes special care, story time, and music. The nursery is located on the second floor.

**Kids Church** - is offered for 4 year olds - 2nd graders. The lesson corresponds with the weekly sermon. Children are checked-in during the break and dismissed before the sermon with a blessing.

**Doodle Clipboards** - are available for children who remain in the worship service. The clipboards have a kid's bulletin along with some crayons. You can pick one up by the kid's church checkin.

Learn more at [www.ironworkswestchester.org/kids](http://www.ironworkswestchester.org/kids)

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## ***Upcoming Events***

Details can be found on our website: [www.ironworkswestchester.org/events](http://www.ironworkswestchester.org/events)

### **November**

**19th** - Pizza, Prayer and Praise, 4:30-6 pm

**26th** - Launch of Public Worship, 10:30 am

**29th** - Joint Community Group @ the 3rd Place, 6:30-8 pm

### **December**

**3rd** - Sunday Morning Worship Gathering, 10:30 am

**8th** - Christmas Party, 7-10 pm. RSVP by emailing Christin @ [christin.hensley@ironworkschurch.org](mailto:christin.hensley@ironworkschurch.org).

**10th** - Worship Gathering, 10:30 am

**17th** - Worship Gathering, 10:30 am

**24th** - Worship Gathering, 10:30 am

**31st** - Worship Gathering, 10:30 am, guest preacher: Rev. Nick Owens

### **January**

**4th** - Worship Gathering, 10:30 am

**11th** - Worship Gathering, 10:30 am

**18th** - Worship Gathering, 10:30 am

**25th** - Worship Gathering, 10:30 am

## ***Community Group Life***

Community Groups are the primary way that we follow Jesus together, where we study God's word, share our stories, and serve alongside each other.

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**West Chester** | *Wednesdays*

@ 132 W. Chestnut St, West Chester

**Kennett Square** | *varies*

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