

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Lord's Day, February 8, 2026

Welcome and Announcements

***God Calls Us to Worship Him:** Responsive Reading of Psalm 89:5-11

Pastor: Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones!

Congregation: For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord? Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord,

Pastor: a God greatly to be feared in the council of the holy ones, and awesome above all who are around him?

Congregation: O Lord God of hosts, who is mighty as you are, O Lord, with your faithfulness all around you?

Pastor: You rule the raging of the sea; when its waves rise, you still them. You crushed Rahab like a carcass; you scattered your enemies with your mighty arm.

All: The heavens are yours; the earth also is yours; the world and all that is in it, you have founded them.

*** We Sing in Response:** #38 Red Hymnal *"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"*

*** We Seek God's Presence in Prayer**

We Confess Our Sins Together: O Father, we are gathered before you, the Maker of Heaven and Earth, whose chosen dwelling place is with the broken and contrite, to confess that we have sinned in thought and word and deed; we have not loved you with all our heart and soul, we have not loved you with all our mind and strength; we have not even loved our neighbor as ourselves. In your mercy, deepen our sorrow for the wrong we have done and for the good we have left undone, so that we may hate our sin with a holy hatred. But, please Father, do not leave us in sorrow. With you, O Lord, there is forgiveness. In your mercy, restore the joy of our salvation; so that we may love you with a holy love. Amen. - *From Reformed Resources on Monergism.com*

We Pray Silent Prayers of Confession

God Assures Us We Are Forgiven: Psalm 103:1-5

*** We Sing In Response to God's Forgiveness:** #388 Black Hymnal *"He Will Hold Me Fast"*

*** We Confess Our Faith Together:** Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 1

Pastor: *Believer, what is your only comfort in life and death?*

Congregation: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

Missions Moment: Missions Conference (Amy Miller)

We Read From God's Word: Acts 2:14-41

We Pray For The Congregation and Community

We Memorize God's Word: Romans 8:26 *Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.*

We Present Our Tithes & Offerings In Worship

We Worship Through the Music of Offertory: *"How Great is the Greatness of God"*

* **We Sing the Doxology:** #731 Red Hymnal *"Doxology"*

* **We Give Thanks to the Lord**

* **We Sing In Preparation for the Word:** #83 Black Hymnal *"By Grace Alone"*

Children ages 4 through kindergarten dismissed to Children's Worship. The children will be reunited with their parents at the time of the Lord's Supper.

Pastor Reads the Sermon Text: Acts 25:13-27

Pastor Preaches God's Word: *"The Truth about a Certain 'Jesus'"*

- Pastor Wes James

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

* **We Sing In Response to the Word:** #389 Black Hymnal *"All I Have is Christ"*

* **The Lord Sends Us Out (Benediction)**

Sermon Outline
Acts 25:1-12
“The Truth About a Certain ‘Jesus’”
02-08-26

Proposition: The Christian faith hinges on the truth surrounding Jesus’ death and the fact that He is alive, having conquered the grave for all who believe and profess His name.

Main Point One: Paul’s Case

Sub Point One: Herod Agrippa and Bernice Visit Caesarea

Sub Point Two: Governor Festus Lays out Paul’s Case

Sub Point Three: The Chief Priests’ Desire

Sub Point Four: Festus’ Response

Main Point Two: Paul’s Confession

Sub Point One: “The Dispute” between Paul and Jewish Leaders

Sub Point Two: Paul’s Assertion that Jesus is “alive”

Sub Point Three: Paul’s Appeal to Caesar

Sub Point Four: Agrippa’s Interest in Hearing Paul

Main Point Three: Paul’s Charges

Sub Point One: Paul brought before King Agrippa and Bernice

Sub Point Two: The Jews’ Petition

Sub Point Three: Festus’ Findings

Sub Point Four: Festus’ Challenge... “No Charges” to write