

# Traditional Worship Service

Who Is God?

March 9, 2025

Questions To God

Length  
in mins

5:00 **Prelude**

1:30 **Live Stream Startup**

3:00 **Introit**

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5:00 **Welcome & Announcements**

1:00 **Call To Worship**

Liturgist: Nancy Smith

Leader: We wonder—who is God?

People: We wonder—where is God?

Leader: We wonder—how do we reach God? How do we learn about God?

People: We wonder — are the answers in loving?

3:30 ***Where Charity And Love Prevail***

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1:00 **Unison Prayer**

We seek, we wonder, we ponder the mystery that is you, God. We would like some clarity to cling to!

But instead of the certainty we seek, your answer is an invitation: the invitation to love. Amen.

3:30 **Special Music**

"Voice of Praise," Chorale

0:00 **Children's Music**

"Deep and Wide"

5:00 **A Time for Children**

Noelle Allison, Director of Children and Families

Indicate special props, placement and movement if known.

1:00 **Scripture Readings**

1 John 4:7-19

5:00 **Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

1:00 **Offering Our Gifts to The Lord - Breakthrough Prayer**

Offering Introduction:

We do not give because we are certain of all the answers. We give because we have known love and we are called to love one another. As surely as the God of love dwells within you, give generously, fearlessly.

Offertory Prayer:

All: God, thank you for showing us what love is and who love is. As we try to be living testaments to that love, help us use these gifts to spread love's reach. In Jesus' name, Amen.

4:00 **Offertory**

"Pie Jesu," Elizabeth Gore Stanley and Gene Olvera

1:00 ***Doxology***

20:00 **Message**

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Pastor Laura

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**1:00 Prayer of Confession**

All: Compassionate God, in your unfailing love, you sent us your Son as the savior of the world so that we might live through him. And you have invited us to love one another as you first loved us. We confess that we have failed to accept your invitation. Too often, our fears over our personal safety, financial security, and social status prevent us from truly loving those around us. Forgive us, O Lord, for our meekness. Give us the boldness to receive and abide in your perfect love which casts out our fears. By your strength, may we embody your loving presence out in the world. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

**1:00 Words of Assurance**

Leader: Beloved, God is love. And God's love abides in all who confess Jesus is the Son of God. So let us be bold in the Lord by trusting and believing in the great love that God has for us all.

**3:00 *Love Divine All Loves Excelling***

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**1:00 Benediction**

**2:00 Postlude**

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**60:00**

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