



Faith - Family - Fellowship

ORDER OF WORSHIP CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

January 26, 2025

11:05 a.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP	New Name Written Down in Glory	Praise Team & Congregation
SONG OF FAITH	Blessed Assurance	Praise Team & Congregation
GREETING & PRAYER OF AWAKENING		PR
SONG OF HOPE	Same God	Praise Team
NEW DOXLOGY / BLESSING OF THE OFFERING		Josh Coley
WORDS OF WISDOM	Psalm 37: 1-11	Amber Cathey
PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH / THE LORD'S PRAYER		Lisa Patrick
WORD OF GOD	2 Corinthians 8:1-12	Megan Bates
VIDEO		
SPIRITUAL VITAMIN	The Door to Abundant Living	
SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION		
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS		
SONG OF LOVE	At The Cross	Praise Team & Congregation
GOING FORTH		

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Words of Wisdom

Psalm 37:1-11

Today's words of wisdom are found in the Old Testament book of Psalms. This passage from chapter 37 was written by King David, who God referred to as "a man after my own heart".

Do not fret because of those who are evil
or be envious of those who do wrong;
for like the grass they will soon wither,
like green plants they will soon die away.
Trust in the Lord and do good;
dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture.
Take delight in the Lord,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.
Commit your way to the Lord;
trust in him and he will do this:
He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn,
your vindication like the noonday sun.
Be still before the Lord
and wait patiently for him;
do not fret when people succeed in their ways,
when they carry out their wicked schemes.
Refrain from anger and turn from wrath;
do not fret—it leads only to evil.
For those who are evil will be destroyed,
but those who hope in the Lord will inherit the land.
A little while, and the wicked will be no more;
though you look for them, they will not be found.
But the meek will inherit the land
and enjoy peace and prosperity.

May God bless our discernment of His Holy Word.

People: May we ever protect and keep it pure. Amen.

Allow these words from Paul's second letter to the church in Corinth to open your heart, mind and soul to a new revelation in living an abundant life.

Now I want to tell you what God in his grace has done for the churches in Macedonia. Though they have been going through much trouble and hard times, they have mixed their wonderful joy with their deep poverty, and the result has been an overflow of giving to others. They gave not only what they could afford but far more; and I can testify that they did it because they wanted to and not because of nagging on my part. They begged us to take the money so they could share in the joy of helping the Christians in Jerusalem. Best of all, they went beyond our highest hopes, for their first action was to dedicate themselves to the Lord and to us, for whatever directions God might give to them through us. They were so enthusiastic about it that we have urged Titus, who encouraged your giving in the first place, to visit you and encourage you to complete your share in this ministry of giving. You people there are leaders in so many ways—you have so much faith, so many good preachers, so much learning, so much enthusiasm, so much love for us. Now I want you to be leaders also in the spirit of cheerful giving.

I am not giving you an order; I am not saying you must do it, but others are eager for it. This is one way to prove that your love is real, that it goes beyond mere words.

You know how full of love and kindness our Lord Jesus was: though he was so very rich, yet to help you he became so very poor, so that by being poor he could make you rich.

¹I want to suggest that you finish what you started to do a year ago, for you were not only the first to propose this idea, but the first to begin doing something about it. Having started the ball rolling so enthusiastically, you should carry this project through to completion just as gladly, giving whatever you can out of whatever you have. Let your enthusiastic idea at the start be equaled by your realistic action now. If you are really eager to give, then it isn't important how much you have to give. God wants you to give what you have, not what you haven't.

This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.