

AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 15, 2022

10:15 a.m.

FOR YOUR REFLECTION

"Let it be a settled principle in our minds, in reading the Bible, that Christ is the central sun of the whole book. So long as we keep Him in view, we shall never greatly err in our search for spiritual knowledge. Once losing sight of Christ, we shall find the whole Bible dark and full of difficulty."

—J. C. Ryle

PRELUDE

"Creation Sings"

by Lloyd Larson

GREETING

LEADER: The Lord be with you. (extending arms)

PEOPLE: **And also with you.** (Congregation responds with extended arms.)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 1)

Leader: Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful.

People: **But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law, he mediates day and night.**

All: **He shall be like a tree planted by streams of living water, that brings forth fruit in its season; and whatever he does will prosper.**

OPENING SONG

"Word of God Speak"

Praise Team

***INVOCATION:** **The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.**

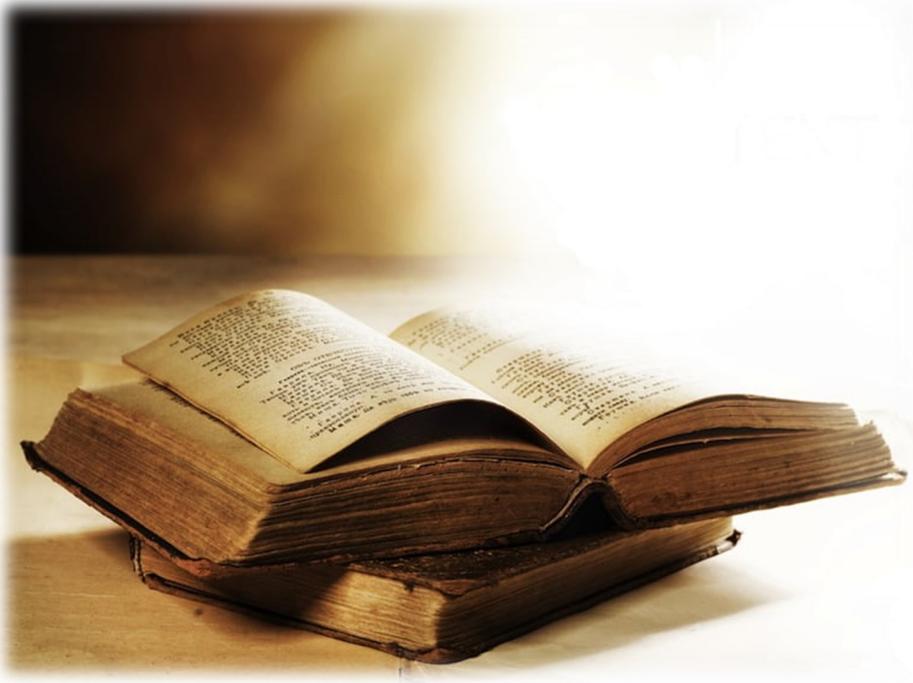
COVENANT: (see screen)

***GLORIA PATRI**

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***PASS THE PEACE**

ANNOUNCEMENTS



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* All who are able, please stand

YOUNG DISCIPLES' MOMENT

Joseph Leggett

PASTORAL PRAYER

& LORD'S PRAYER (using "debts" see screen)

THE OFFERING Ponder the gifts you will offer to God:
your tithes, your time, your resources.

OFFERTORY "There's a Spirit in the Air"

by Matthew McConnell

***DOXOLOGY** #563

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

MIDDLE HYMN "Wonderful Words of Life" #255

SCRIPTURE READINGS (See Insert)

MEDITATION "The Word of God and the Canon of Scripture"

David Lyons

***CLOSING HYMN** "Because He Lives" vs 1 #204

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BLESSING** "God Be With You" #580

**God be with you till we meet again
By his counsels guide, uphold you,
With his sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again. Amen.**

POSTLUDE "Celebration March on To God Be the Glory"

by Grimoaldo Macchia

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thank
you!

Greeter: Linda Edwardson & Betty Weikum

Fellowship Hour: New Member Reception
CMFCC

Nursery: Nora Conover, Jersey Norgaard

Sight, Sound & Light: Matt Bryant, Robbie
Gerlock, Irie Leggett, Max Munter, Hayden Slawson

Ushers: Frank Edington, Bob Rose, John Zinn

Worship Assistant: Amy Simpson

New Member Reception—Today

We would like to honor our new members that joined the church on January 10, 2021. Due to COVID restrictions, a reception could not be held. Please join us today to formally welcome them into membership.

Joseph & Sandy Leggett
Brian & Dawn Weuve



Music Appreciation Sunday May 22, 2022

Help us thank the many talented people who have provided music and enhanced worship over the last year.



Summer Office Hours
Monday—Friday
9:00—12:30
May 31—September 2



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1872 - 2022

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MISSION STATEMENT ~ FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH ~ SPENCER, IOWA

The First Congregational Church of Spencer joyfully worships and praises God. Bound by our covenant, we strive to be the Body of Christ throughout the world by loving, helping and supporting our church family and others through fellowship, missions, and outreach. Our philosophy encourages all people to experience God's grace by freely thinking and building personal relationships with Christ to the glory of God.

Ministers - All
Today's Pastor— David Lyons
Director of Youth & Family Ministry— Joseph Leggett
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Church Secretary - Michelle Tullberg
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Organist / Accompanist / Bell Choir &
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Building Managers - Jodie Marlow and Lori Haburn