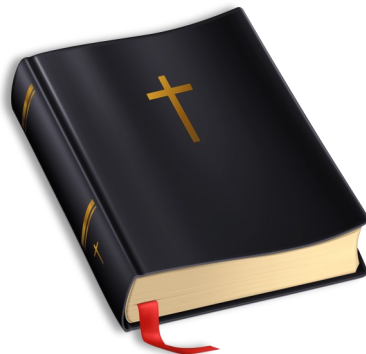


## PRAYER REQUESTS

- \*\*\*\*Carol Lair
- \*\*\*\*Mary Lou Porter
- \*\*\*Frank, brother-in-law of David & Gina Franklin
- \*\*\*Bill, friend of David & Lauren Holloway
- \*\*\*Diane Comandella
- \*\*Dan Galovich, friend of Dan & Cindy Zilai
- \*\*Cindy Pajdzik, friend of Dan & Cindy Zilai
- \*\*Doug, son of Bill & Diane Payne
- \*\*Joe Dvorszak
- \*\*Larry, friend of Dave Franklin
- \*Lynn, friend of Jill Newsom
- \*Rene, sister of Debbie Olson
- \*Richard, brother-in-law of Debbie Olson
- \*Nick & Jose, friends of James Brill

*As names rotate off the list, please continue to remember them in prayer.*

Senior Pastor - Rev. Denise Robinson  
Liturgist - Dave Dobrinich  
Music Director - Pablo Valladares  
Treasurer - Linda Boender  
Connections Coordinator - Nancy Caddick  
Facility Manager - David Miller  
Technical Director - Dan Zilai  
Office Administrator - Niya (Yvonne) Ketcham



# WELCOME TO ASCENSION SUNDAY



## MAY 17, 2026

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship at Ridge

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Prelude

## Welcome

### \*Call to Worship

God is our provider, our protector, and our salvation. The voice of the world says: "Turn to me to provide you food, shelter, and everything you need."

**The Word of God is our bread. We will trust him to provide.**

The voice of the world says: "Everything is a transaction. Come to God on your terms."

**We are God's beloved children. We come because he calls; we go where he leads.**

The voice of the world says: "Worship at my feet and I will give you power and safety."

**We will worship God alone and trust in his power and protection. We will not fear the world.**

Let us worship God together.

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\*Hymn of Praise "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" #302 - v. 1-4

Children's Moment Rev. Denise Robinson

Offering "The Beatitudes" Chancel Choir

### \*Doxology and Prayer Over Offering

## Praises and Prayer Concerns

Prayer Hymn "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #140

## Pastoral Prayer

## The Lord's Prayer

### \*Scripture Reading

Matthew 7:12-20, 24-27

### The Message

### Greatest Speeches

Rev. Denise Robinson

"Golden Rules, Gates, Trees, and Houses"

### \*Hymn of Response

"My Hope Is Built"

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### \*Benediction and Postlude

*As worship concludes we move to the Gathering Room, where we are invited to greet one another and share in fellowship.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are donated by Barbara, Linda, & Alex Ehlebracht in honor of Phillip Ehlebracht.

**Attendance** - Please let us know that you are here by completing the [Blue Gather](#) card and any additional information.

**Pentecost** - Mark your calendars! On **Sunday, May 24th**, we will have one worship service 10 a.m. in the sanctuary.

**Caregiver Support Group** - The Caregiver Support Group will be meeting in the Youth Room on the **2nd and 4th Tuesday** of every month at 2 p.m. The next meeting will be held **Tuesday, May 26th**.

**Chair Exercise Group** - Join our Chair Exercise Group. All fitness levels and friends are welcome! Meets every **Thursday** at 3 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. For more information, see Niya.

**Golf League** - Come and enjoy a few putts! **Mondays** at 3:45pm at Wicker Park. The cost for 9 holes is \$25 and is open to anyone.

**Saturday Homeless Shelter Lunches** - Volunteer groups needed for **May 30th and June 13th** to cook and serve for about 25 men. Sign up on the bulletin board or contact Kathy Giannini at 219-789-3096.

**VBS Egypt 2026** - Spend a While on the Nile with us for VBS; happening June 15th—19th from 9am till 11:30am. Registration is open and the link is: <https://tinyurl.com/Ridge-VBS-2026>

\* You are invited to remain seated or stand as you are able.

\*\* Please silence your Cell Phone.

