

Order of Worship
Sunday February 23, 2025

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

(**Congregation** responses spoken together appear in **bold** print.)

OPENING DECLARATION & PRAYER

Sing to the Lord a new song, sin to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, and bless his name, for He is worthy to be praised.

(prayer) Holy One, give us a new beginning. Soften our hearts and still our minds into Your gracious embrace. Hold the worries and wanderings of our lives. Gift us with the renewing energy of Your Holy Spirit. Let it meet our fatigue and form in us a deepened commitment to your vision for us. Mold us with Christ-love into agents of Your blessings. In your Holy name we pray, and we all agree by saying, **Amen.**

WORSHIP IN SONG (click the song title for a YouTube track)

[Again I Say Rejoice](#) [Always](#) [I Need Thee](#)

[I Just Want to Praise You](#)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Father God, open our hearts and our minds to your wonderous love. Speak your word to us, silence in us any voice but your own and be with us now as we turn our attention, our minds, and our hearts to you. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord we pray, (and we all agree by saying) **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 53:1-12 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

Congregation: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word.

(Quiet Reflection)

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 103 (NASB95)

The reader and congregation will alternate verses.

WORSHIP IN SONG: HYMN OF THE MONTH

[Oh How I Love Jesus](#) | View the lyrics [here](#)

GOSPEL READING John 7: (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

Congregation: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word.

(Quiet Reflection)

SERMON: <https://www.facebook.com/fcmstl>

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE:

BLESSING AND SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY MORNING CORPORATE PRAYER: Our corporate prayer time is 9:00 am. All covenant partners should plan to regularly attend and those leading in corporate worship are expected to attend.

New Discipleship Groups: Covenant partners, please make it your goal to get commitments from 2 new people to join you for a new discipleship group. Books will be here this week.

Authorities we want to specifically pray for this week:

Secretary of Housing & Urban Development – Scott Turner
Missouri Department of Transportation Director – Ed Hassinger
St. Charles Co Human Resources Manager – Samantha Shadrach
St Charles Co Parks & Rec Director – Maralee Britton