

+ Hymn of Response no. 546

Amazing Grace

The love of God calls us again and again to respond in new and creative ways. If part of your response today is to join this church or become a Christian, please come forward during this hymn, and one of our ministers will be happy to greet you.

+ Welcome to New Members

We affirm you in your Christian Decision. We welcome you among us. We pledge to be for you a family of faith: learning with and from you, worshipping with you, laughing with you, and when needed, crying with you. Amen.

+ Pastoral Benediction

Senior Pastor

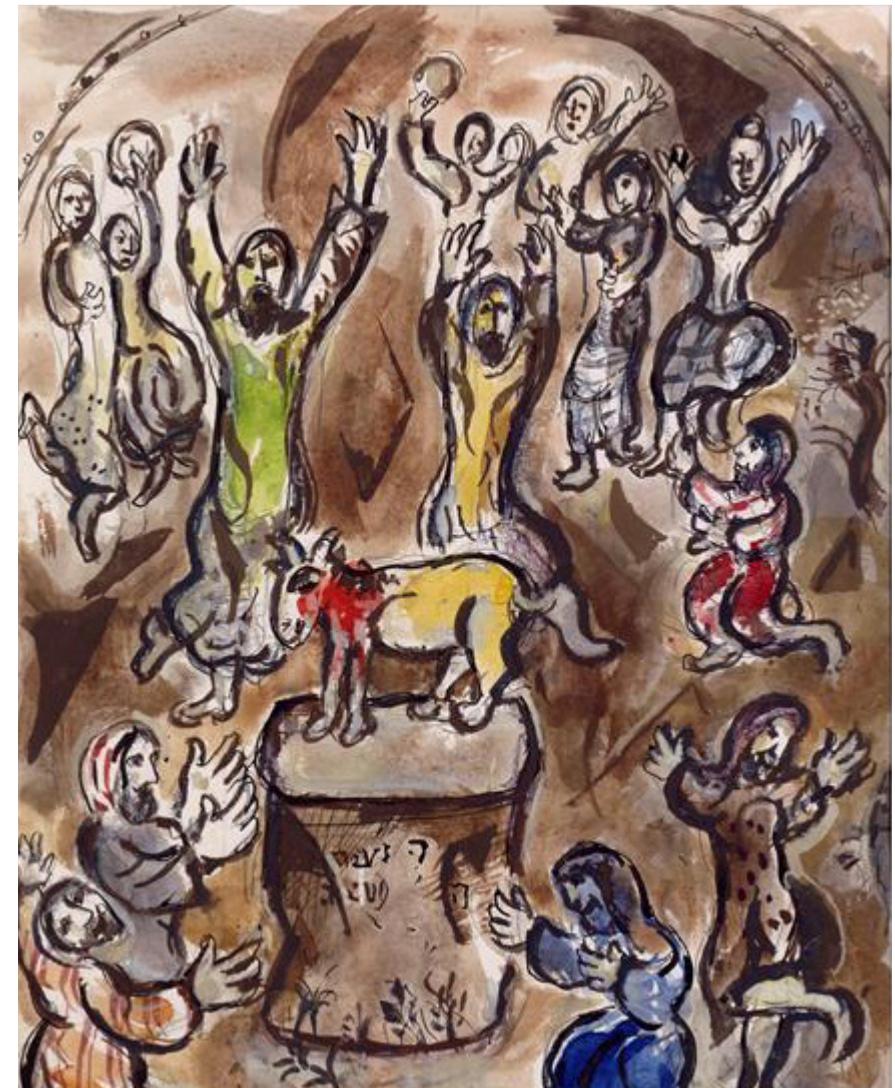
+ Congregational Benediction

We are travelers on a journey.
Fellow pilgrims on the road.
We are here to help each other
Walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you
In the night time of your fear.
I will hold my hand out to you;
Speak the peace you long to hear.

Postlude Meditation and the Sending of the Light

Church Organist



The Adoration of the Golden Calf by Marc Chagall



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BAPTIST CHURCH

The Worship of God

Gathering

The Chiming of the Hour

Church Organist

Prelude Meditation

Church Organist

The Bringing of the Light and dramatic reading of Psalm 106

Acolytes

Words of Welcome

Church Member (Today's Liturgist)

Choral Introit

Wa Wa Wa Emimimo

+ Call to Worship

Church Member

Gather at the mountain of God's holiness.

Today is a day to celebrate God.

Gather aware of those you left behind to be here.

Today is a day to stand in the gap between God and God's children.

Gather to share God's presence.

Today is a day of transformation for us and for God's world.

+ Processional Hymn no. 464

God of Grace and God of Glory

Confession, Forgiveness, and Redemption

+ Prayer of Confession

Church Member

Following each petition, the liturgist will prompt the congregation to say:

Christ, have mercy

Epistle Reading

Church Staff

Philippians 4:1-9

One of our holy letters

Thanks be to God.

Prayers of the People with Prayer for Las Vegas (See Insert)

Church Member

Silence for Reflection

+ Assurance of Pardon

Church Staff

Following each declaration, the speaker will prompt the congregation to say:

Thanks be to God

+ Hymn of Pardon no. 550

There's Within my Heart a Melody

*We invite you to speak outloud words printed in **bold type**. Please stand in body or spirit at elements preceded by the + symbol.*

Listening for the Word of God

Time for Young Disciples

Children's Minister

Children ages four through the fourth grade are invited to the front for Children's time. Children birth through kindergarten may follow the light to Children's church afterwards. They will re-enter the service during the hymn of response.

+ Song for our Children no. 113

Jesus Loves Me

+ Gospel Reading

Matthew 22:1-14

The Gospel According to Saint Matthew

According to you, Oh God.

+ Singing of the Gloria Patri no. 37

Glory be to God

Hebrew Bible Reading

Senior Pastor

Exodus 32:1-14

This is one of our sacred stories

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

A Golden Calf Will Lead Us

Senior Pastor

Responding

Silence for Reflection

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Church Member

Offertory Anthem

I Need you to Survive

Celebration of Holy Communion

Words of Institution

Church Staff

Prayer of Consecration

Senior Pastor

Distribution of the Elements

We believe that communion is the fulfillment of an ancient vision: Judas and Jesus at the same table.

Therefore, you don't have to be a member of this church or any church to partake in the table of grace.

When the ushers invite you, please come forward.