

## Traditional Service

11:00 am

### Prelude

**Adagio (1st Sonata)**  
(Composer: Felix Mendelssohn)

### Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship

This is the day the Lord has made;  
**Let us rejoice and be glad in it**

### Hymn #726

**The Lord Is King, Enthroned in Might**

### Responsive Reading

**Psalm 99 (NIV)**

The LORD reigns, let the nations tremble;

**He sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake.**

Great is the LORD in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations.

**Let them praise your great and awesome name— he is holy.**

The King is mighty, he loves justice— you have established equity; in Jacob you have done what is just and right.

**Exalt the LORD our God; and worship at his footstool; he is holy.**

Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel was among those who called on his name; they called on the LORD and he answered them.

**He spoke to them from the pillar of cloud; they kept his statutes and the decrees he gave them.**

LORD our God, you answered them; you were to Israel a forgiving God, though you punished their misdeeds.

**Exalt the LORD our God and worship at his holy mountain, for the LORD our God is holy.**

### Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and turn them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

*(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)*

*In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.*

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Pastor: Friends, believe the Good News:

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

### Response

**Glory Be to the Father**

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be  
World without end. Amen, Amen.

### Passing the Peace

### Hymn #109

**Hail to the Lord's Anointed**

### Scripture Reading

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God!**

**2 Samuel 7:8-16**

### Sermon

**God's Kingdom Forever**  
**Eden to Easter:**

*God's Faithful Love through His Covenants*

### Musical Reflection

**When I Survey**

(Composer: Isaac Watts; Arr. Marianne Forman)

### Doxology

**Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him, all creatures here below

Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name;

your kingdom come,

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For yours is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

### Hymn #250

**Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation**

### Benediction

### Postlude

**Praise and Thanksgiving**

(Composer: Dale Wood)

### Worship Participants

Welcome & Sermon	Rev. Greg Buell
Worship Leader & Liturgy	Luke Stoner
Praise Music	Village Church Worship Band
Director of Traditional Music	Dr. Yongmin Kim
Choral Music	Village Church Choir
Organist	Sharon Peterson
Scripture Reader	Jill Nevil (9:30)
	Roger Smith (11:00)
Prayers of the People	Gerri Kirby (9:30)

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## Contemporary Service

9:30 am

Welcome and Call to Worship

Praise and Prayer

Take You at Your Word

Same God

Prayer of Confession

Love of God

Passing the Peace

Announcements

(Offerings are received weekly via mail and online giving at <https://villagechurchnorthbrook.org/give/> . Those attending live worship can leave their donations in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary.)

Scripture Reading

2 Samuel 7:8-16

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

God's Kingdom Forever

*Eden to Easter:*

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Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Song

All Hail King Jesus

Blessing

## Questions for Discussion

### Opening Discussion

1. How hard is it for God's people to follow his will without good leadership in their lives? Why are godly leaders so important for our world today?

### Read 2 Samuel 7:8-16 (NRSV)

2. What does God say through the prophet Nathan about his activity in David's life up until this point? (v.8-9a)
3. What is the first promise God makes to David? (v.9b) What did this mean? Considering his background, how do you think David would have felt upon hearing this?
4. What promise does God make about the people of Israel and why would it be such good news? What part of this promise appeals to you? and to what extent do people long for such a world today? (v.10-11a)
5. What promise does God make in response to David's desire to build a temple (house) for God? (v.11b-12)
6. What does God specifically say that David's son (who is later revealed to be King Solomon) will do? (v.13)
7. What promises does God make about David's son and his descendants? How is God's relationship with David and his heirs compare to his predecessor King Saul? (v.13-15)
8. Unlike King Saul, what will happen to ungodly or disobedient descendants (sons) of David? (v.14) Why is God's faithfulness so important and remarkable in light of this?
9. What final promise does God make about David's descendants and his Kingdom? How did this promise lead to a yearning for a Messiah (an anointed King) to one day rise up for Israel? (v.16)
10. What part of Christ's final return and rule over this world do you long for the most and why?

### Prayer Concerns & Closing Prayer

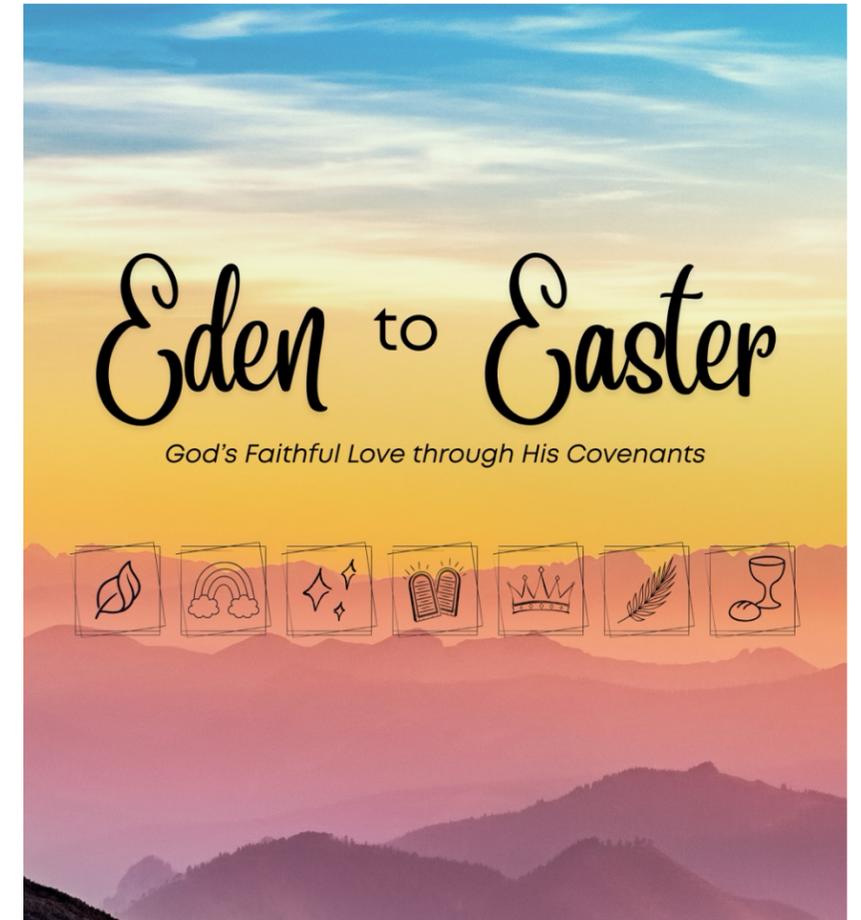
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