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ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 8, 2026

Continuing God's Story Together

“Let this little message be but a reminder,
and I will continue with the story.”

2 Maccabees 6:17

Worship Participants

Deacon: Paula McQuaid

Welcomers: Merry Sue Ahlgren, Dave Osowski

Reader: Penelope Davidson

Announcer: Merry Sue Ahlgren

Prelude

Enter the Story

Welcome

Rev. Tina Walker-Morin

Opening Song

Jesus Does

Opening Prayer (*responsive*)

Deacon

Leader: Holy God,

During this worship may we be open to being shaped anew.

People: May we be made in the mold of justice, not the stamp of Caesar's coin.

Leader: God, you entered our story through Jesus,

People: now help us to enter fully into the story of your kin-dom on earth as it is in heaven.

Amen

Song

I Speak Jesus

Scripture:

Matthew 22:15-22 (*NRSVUE*)

Today's reading is from the gospel of Matthew:

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this and whose title?” They answered, “Caesar's.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's.” When they heard this, they were amazed, and they left him and went away.

May God bless this reading and our understanding.

God's Stories

Rev. Jennie Valentine

Message for All Ages

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Sermon

Rev. Tina Walker-Morin

Song

America the Beautiful

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Rev. Tina Walker-Morin

**Our Father/Mother/Creator,
who art in heaven hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom come, thy will be done, on
earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as
we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kin-dom and the power and the glory for ever. Amen**

Offering

Invitation

Song

Dedication

Stars and Stripes

Send Forth Song

I'm Proud

Benediction

Rev. Tina Walker-Morin

Announcements

Postlude