

Worship Prayer...

Father in heaven, I admit I am a sinner and cannot save myself, but trust only in your Son Jesus Christ—true God and true man—who died on the cross for me and rose again to give me new life now and forever. By your Holy Spirit's power take my heart and life and make me yours; turn me from my own selfish path to always love, trust and follow Jesus. Because you love and forgive me, help me forgive and love others. And now, as we gather together as your church in this place, make us one in truth and love according to the faithful leading and unfailing promises of your living Word. In Jesus' name....Amen!

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- ✓ *Proclaim God's Love*
- ✓ *Expand God's Kingdom*
- ✓ *Mature God's People*
- ✓ *Live God's Word!*

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Living Word



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10:00 am Service

‘Come grow with us!’

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WELCOME TO LIVING WORD!

*Our candles remind us the Light of the World Jesus Christ is here!
Blue information card, hymnal & Bible are in seat pocket.
Songs/readings on screen—also in Hymnals/Bibles.*

WE REJOICE IN GOD’S LOVE...

Welcome

Opening Prayer & Praise

“As the Deer”

Invocation

Affirmation of Faith:

Nicene Creed

WE RECEIVE GOD’S WORD...

Today’s Psalm

Psalm 80:7-19

Scripture Readings

Facing page

Message Hymn

“I Am the Vine”

Intro: *Easy Way to Grow Grapes from Cuttings* 0:00 to 2:55
[youtube.com/watch?v=MddPlxfHPUQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MddPlxfHPUQ)

Message

“Transplanted”

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S CALL...

Prayer of Confession & Forgiveness

Prayers of God’s People & Lord’s Prayer

Communion

“Feed Us Now”

Benediction

Closing Song

“Rock of My Salvation”

Please place offerings in basket at sanctuary entrance

“Transplanted”

In our Psalm for today, the psalmist compares the nation of Israel to a grapevine. He says to God: “*You transplanted a vine from Egypt...*” God’s people had been saved by Him from slavery in Egypt only to rebel against Him in the Promised Land. What about us? How do we handle being transplanted? Today we learn how in Christ...

1) *I am transplanted from Egypt to Judah.*

⁷ The vineyard of the Lord Almighty is the nation of Israel, and the people of Judah are the vines he delighted in. And he looked for justice, but saw bloodshed; for righteousness, but heard cries of distress. Isaiah 5:7

2) *I am transplanted from the past to the future.*

¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it (“*that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me*”). But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. Philippians 3:13-14

3) *I am transplanted from “ownership” to stewardship.*

³³ “Listen to another parable: There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place. ³⁴ When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit. ³⁵ “The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. ³⁶ Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way. ³⁷ Last of all, he sent his son to them. ‘They will respect my son,’ he said. ³⁸ “But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, ‘This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him and take his inheritance.’ ³⁹ So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. ⁴⁰ “Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” ⁴¹ “He will bring those wretches to a wretched end,” they replied... ⁴² Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures: “‘The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes’? ⁴³ “Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit. Matthew 21:33-41a, 42-43