

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Lord's Day, August 23, 2020

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship: Responsive Reading of Psalm 145:1-4

Pastor: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.
Congregation: Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.
Pastor: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.
All: One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts.

* **Hymn:** #523 Red Hymnal "My Hope Is in the Lord"

* Prayer of Invocation

Corporate Confession of Sin:

Holy God, we confess to you that we are broken sinners. We have failed to keep your word, and love you from all of our heart, mind, soul, and strength. We have failed to love our neighbor as ourselves. Too often we have cherished our sin and idols instead of you. We ask, Lord, that you forgive us our sins. Forgive the sins we are aware of, and those hidden faults we do not see so clearly. Grant us a greater hatred of our sin such that we actively seek to put it to death. And free us to love you and love one-another all the more fully, as we seek to live in the power of the Holy Spirit, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, to the Glory of God, our Father! Amen.

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon: 1 John 1:5-9

* **Hymn of Worship:** #44 Black Hymnal "Come, Praise and Glorify"

* Corporate Confession of Faith: Westminster Confession of Faith 14.2

Question: How do we understand what is true concerning God and his Salvation?

Answer: Through faith, a Christian believes to be true what God reveals in his Word. God speaks with his own authority from the Word. This produces new behavior resulting from obedience to the teaching of each particular text. Faith generates godly fear at the warnings of Scripture while encouraging us to embrace God's promises for this life and life eternal. The essential actions of faith are accepting, receiving and resting in Jesus Christ alone for justification, sanctification and eternal life through the merit of God's covenant of grace. (The Westminster Confession of Faith; Contemporary Edition, Remillard, Donald; Presby Press; 1988; Christian Ed and Publications; 2013)

Scripture Reading: Zechariah 3

Congregational Prayers

Scripture Memory: Ephesians 2:13-15

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

(Deacons to extend offering plate; it will not be passed).

Anthem: "How Great is Our God" Presented by Eliza, Aayla and Spike Hurn Written by Chris Tomlin

* **Hymn:** #731 Red Hymnal "Doxology"

* Prayer

* **Hymn of Preparation:** #689 Red Hymnal "Be Still, My Soul"

Scripture Reading: Revelation 7:13-17

Sermon: "Who Are These, Clothed in White?" - Pastor Wes James

* **Hymn of Response:** Bulletin Insert "May the Peoples Praise You"

* Benediction

Sermon Outline Revelation 7:13-17 "Who are these, Clothed in White?"

Proposition: Those who are washed in the blood of the Lamb are sheltered in the shepherd's presence and satisfied in his service for all eternity.

Main Point One: The Great Tribulation Main Point Two: The Throne

Main Point Three: The Shepherd