



CENTER GROVE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Lord's Day, May 9, 2021

Welcome and Announcements

* **God Calls Us to Worship Him:** Responsive Reading of Psalm 46:1-4

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Congregation: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea.

Pastor: Though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

All: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

* **We Sing in Response:** #92 Red Hymnal "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

* **We Seek God's Presence in Prayer**

We Confess Our Sins Together:

Jesus, forgive our sins. Forgive the sins we remember, and the sins we have forgotten. Forgive our many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when we have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times we are proud of our own achievements and those when we have failed to boast in your works. Forgive the harsh judgments we make toward others, and the leniency we often show ourselves. Forgive the half-truths and dishonest things we say, and the truths we have avoided. Forgive us the pain we have caused others and the indulgences we show to ourselves. Jesus, have mercy on us and make us whole. Amen.

We Pray Silent Prayers of Confession

God Assures Us We Are Forgiven: Psalm 103:1-5

* **We Sing In Response to God's Forgiveness:** #162 Black Hymnal "Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

* **We Confess Our Faith Together: Westminster Confession of Faith 33.3**

Pastor: How should Christians rightly ponder the coming judgment of God on "The Day of the Lord?"

Congregation: Jesus Christ would persuade us of the inevitability of the Day of Judgment. It deters everyone from sin. It also offers great encouragement to us who love God as we face the difficulties of faith. He has not told us when this day will come. This unpredictability may disturb the blasé attitude people adopt toward God's judgment. Because we do not know when the Lord will return, we will be encouraged to carefully monitor our spiritual development. God's Day of Judgment encourages us to be prepared saying, "Come Lord Jesus, come quickly." This confession is true and we believe all of it.

We Read From God's Word: Jeremiah 51:1-14

We Pray For The Congregation and Community

We Memorize God's Word: Psalm 37:3-4

Trust in the Lord, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness. Delight yourself in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

We Present Our Tithes & Offerings In Worship

We Worship Through the Music of Offertory

* **We Sing the Doxology:** #731 Red Hymnal *"Doxology"*

* **We Give Thanks to the Lord**

* **We Sing In Preparation for the Word:** #318 Black Hymnal *"Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"*

(Children age 4 through kindergarten may be dismissed to Children's Worship)

Pastor Reads the Sermon Text: Revelation 18:9-24

Pastor Preaches God's Word: *"Alas, the Great City Babylon is Judged"*

- *Pastor Wes James*

* **We Sing In Response to the Word:** #604 Red Hymnal *"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"*

* **The Lord Sends Us Out (Benediction)**

Sermon Outline
Revelation 18:9-24
“Alas, The Great City Babylon is judged”
05-09-21

Proposition: *On the day of Babylon’s fall the world laments while the people of God rejoice because God’s justice in judgment has come.*

Main Point One: The World’s Lament

Main Point Two: The Saints Rejoice

Main Point Three: The Case for Justice