

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Lord's Day, July 18, 2021

* God Calls Us to Worship Him: Responsive Reading of Psalm 147:1-5

Pastor: Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

Congregation: The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

Pastor: He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

All: He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names. Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

* We Sing in Response: #101 Red Hymnal "Come, Thou Almighty King"

* We Seek God's Presence in Prayer

We Confess Our Sins Together:

Most holy and merciful Father, we confess to you and to one another, that we have sinned against you by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not always had in us the mind of Christ. You alone know how often we have grieved you by wasting your gifts, by wandering from your ways. Forgive us, we pray you, most merciful Father; and free us from our sin. Renew in us the grace and strength of your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son our Savior. Amen.

We Pray Silent Prayers of Confession

God Assures Us We Are Forgiven: Lamentations 3:22-23

* We Sing In Response to God's Forgiveness: #398 Black Hymnal "God, Be Merciful to Me"

* We Confess Our Faith Together: Apostles Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

We Read From God's Word: Ezekiel 40:1-19

We Pray For The Congregation and Community

We Memorize God's Word: Acts 1:8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

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: #549 Red Hymnal "By the Sea of Crystal"

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

Pastor Reads the Sermon Text: Revelation 21:15-27

Pastor Preaches God's Word: "The Foundation and Temple of the Heavenly City" - Pastor Wes James

- * We Sing In Response to the Word: #94 Red Hymnal "How Firm a Foundation"
- * The Lord Sends Us Out (Benediction)