

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Lord's Day, November 12, 2023

Welcome and Announcements

*God Calls Us to Worship Him: Responsive Reading of Psalm 34:1-3

Pastor: I will bless the LORD at all times.

Congregation: His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

Pastor: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

All: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

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

* We Seek God's Presence in Prayer

We Confess Our Sins Together : Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

We Pray Silent Prayers of Confession

God Assures Us We Are Forgiven: Psalm 51:1-2

- * We Sing In Response to God's Forgiveness: #9 CG Hymns "Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me"
- * We Confess Our Faith Together: Westminster Confession of Faith 32.1-3

Pastor: What happens to the body and souls of men at death?

Congregation: The bodies of men, after death, return to dust, and see corruption; but their souls (which neither die nor sleep), having an immortal subsistence, immediately return to God who gave them. The souls of the righteous, being then made perfect in holiness, are received into the highest heavens, where they behold the face of God in light and glory, waiting for the full redemption of their bodies; and the souls of the wicked are cast into hell, where they remain in torments and utter darkness, reserved to the judgment of the great day. Besides these two places for souls separated from their bodies, the Scripture acknowledges none.

Pastor: What will happen to those who are on earth on the last day?

Congregation: At the last day, such as are found alive shall not die, but be changed: and all the dead shall be raised up with the self-same bodies, and none other, although with different qualities, which shall be united again to their souls forever.

Pastor: What will happen to those who have already died both the believer and un-believer alike? **Congregation**: The bodies of the unjust shall, by the power of Christ, be raised to dishonor; the bodies of the just, by His Spirit, unto honor, and be made conformable to His own glorious body.

We Read From God's Word: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

We Pray For The Congregation and Community

We Memorize God's Word: Hebrews 1:13— "And to which of the angels has he ever said, "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet"?

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: #187 Black Hymnal "Before the Throne of God Above"

Children ages 4 through kindergarten dismissed to Children's Worship. Parents, please pick up your child in the lobby on your way to the Lord's Supper.

Pastor Reads the Sermon Text: Joel 2:1-11

Pastor Preaches God's Word: "The Great and Awesome Day of the Lord"

- Pastor Wes James

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

- * We Sing In Response to the Word: #177 Black Hymnal "In Christ Alone"
- * The Lord Sends Us Out (Benediction)

Sermon Outline

Joel 2:1-11 "The Great and Awesome Day of the Lord" 11-12-23

Proposition: On the Day of the Lord, God will execute His divine justice in judgment and only the righteous who live by faith can endure.

Main Point One: The Day

Sub Point One: Its Anticipation

Sub Point Two: Its Description

Main Point Two: The People

Sub Point One: Their Appearance

Sub Point Two: A Powerful Army

Sub Point Three: Their Anguish

Sub Point Four: The Creation

Main Point Three: The Lord

Sub Point One: His Voice

Sub Point Two: His Camp

Sub Point Three: His Word

Sub Point Four: His Question... "Who Can Endure?"