



**CENTER GROVE**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*The Lord's Day, November 19, 2023*

## **Welcome and Announcements**

**\*God Calls Us to Worship Him:** Responsive Reading of Psalm 47:1-4

**Pastor:** Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

**Congregation:** For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.

**Pastor:** He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet.

**All:** He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

**\* We Sing in Response:** #2 Red Hymnal "O Worship the King"

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

**We Confess Our Sins Together** : O Father, we are gathered before you, the Maker of Heaven and Earth, whose chosen dwelling place is with the broken and contrite, to confess that we have sinned in thought and word and deed; we have not loved you with all our heart and soul, we have not loved you with all our mind and strength; we have not even loved our neighbor as ourselves. In your mercy, deepen our sorrow for the wrong we have done and for the good we have left undone, so that we may hate our sin with a holy hatred. But, please Father, do not leave us in sorrow. With you, O Lord, there is forgiveness. In your mercy, restore the joy of our salvation; so that we may love you with a holy love. Amen. - *From Reformed Resources on Monergism.com*

## **We Pray Silent Prayers of Confession**

**God Assures Us We Are Forgiven:** Psalm 57:1-3

**\* We Sing In Response to God's Forgiveness:** # 4 CG Hymns "His Mercy is More"

**\* We Confess Our Faith Together:** O God, we bless you for the happy moment when we first saw your law fulfilled in Christ, wrath appeased, death destroyed, sin forgiven, our souls saved. Ever since, you have been faithful to us: daily have we proved the power of Jesus' blood, daily have we known the strength of the Spirit, our teacher, director, sanctifier. We want no other rock to build upon than that we have, desire no other hope than that of gospel truth, need no other look than that which gazes on the cross. May our cry be always, Only Jesus! only Jesus! In him is freedom from condemnation, fullness in his righteousness, eternal vitality in his given life, everlasting union in fellowship with him; In him we have all that we can hold; enlarge us to take in more of Christ! - *Adapted from the Valley of Vision*

**We Read From God's Word:** Isaiah 55

**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:** "Give Thanks" played by Ellen Singh on flute.

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

\* **We Give Thanks to the Lord**

\* **We Sing In Preparation for the Word:** #184 Red Hymnal "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

*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 2:12-22

**Pastor Preaches God's Word:** "Israel's Call to Return to the Mercies of God"  
- Pastor Wes James

**We Celebrate the Lord's Supper**

\* **We Sing In Response to the Word:** #87 Black Hymnal "Love of God"

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

**Sermon Outline**  
**Joel 2:12-22**  
**“Israel’s Call to Return to the Mercies of God”**  
**11-19-23**

**Proposition:** With the threat of imminent judgment on the horizon, God is driven by His heart of compassion and mercy to restore His fallen people.

**Main Point One: The Lord’s Call**

Sub Point One: The Heart of the Matter

Sub Point Two: The Character of God

Sub Point Three: The Trumpet Blast

**Main Point Two: The Lord’s Compassion**

Sub Point One: The Heart of God

Sub Point Two: The Mercy of God

Sub Point Three: The Blessings of God

**Main Point Three: The Lord’s Conquest**

Sub Point One: The Lord’s Works

Sub Point Two: The Lord’s Power

Sub Point Three: The Land’s Yield