## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

# The Lord's Day, March 17, 2024

#### Welcome and Announcements

\*God Calls Us to Worship Him: Responsive Reading of Psalm 18:1-3

**Pastor:** I love you, O LORD, my strength.

Congregation: The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take

refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. *Pastor:* I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,

All: And I am saved from my enemies.

\* We Sing in Response: #263 Red Hymnal "Lift High the Cross"

\*We Seek God's Presence in Prayer

We Confess Our Sins Together : Merciful Lord, we confess that with us there is an abundance of sin, but in you there is the fullness of righteousness and abundance of mercy. We are spiritually poor, but you are rich and in Jesus Christ came to be merciful to the poor. Strengthen our faith and trust in you. We are empty vessels that need to be filled; fill us. We are weak in faith; strengthen us. We are cold in love; warm us and make our hearts fervent for you that our love may go out to one another and to our neighbors. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### We Pray Silent Prayers of Confession

God Assures Us We Are Forgiven: John 8:31-32

- \* We Sing In Response to God's Forgiveness: #318 Black Hymnal "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"
- \* We Confess Our Faith Together: Westminster Confession of Faith 8.1-2

**Pastor:** Who is the Lord Jesus as mediator between God and Man?

**Congregation:** It pleased God, in His eternal purpose, to choose and ordain the Lord Jesus, His only-begotten Son, to be the mediator between God and men, the prophet, priest, and king; the head and Savior of the church, the heir of all things, and judge of the world; unto whom He did, from all eternity, give a people to be His seed, and to be by Him in time redeemed, called, justified, sanctified, and glorified.

Pastor: How do we understand Jesus as "The Son of God" and "Son of Man?"

**Congregation:** The Son of God, the second person in the Trinity, being very and eternal God, of one substance, and equal with the Father, did, when the fullness of time was come, take upon Him man's nature, with all the essential properties and common infirmities thereof; yet without sin: being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the

Virgin Mary, of her substance. So that two whole, perfect, and distinct natures, the Godhead and the manhood, were inseparably joined together in one person, without conversion,

composition, or confusion. Which person is very God and very man, yet one Christ, the only mediator between God and man.

Introduction of New Communing Member: Collin O'Neill (Covenant Child of Chris O'Neill)

We Read From God's Word: Isaiah 53

We Pray For The Congregation and Community

**We Memorize God's Word**: John 1:4-5 "In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."

#### 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: #368 Black Hymnal "Speak, O Lord"

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: Luke 9:18-27

Pastor Preaches God's Word: "What it Means When We Say, 'Jesus is the Christ"

- Pastor Wes James

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

- \* We Sing In Response to the Word: #389 Black Hymnal "All I Have Is Christ"
- \* The Lord Sends Us Out (Benediction)

### Sermon Outline Luke 9:18-27 "What It Means When We Say 'Jesus is the Christ'" 03-17-24

**Proposition:** The undeniable mark of a disciple of Jesus is a true confession of faith, corresponding to a life endeavoring to follow Him in the power of the cross.

Main Point One: Jesus'
Sub Point One: Jesus' Question "Who do the crowds say that I am?"
Sub Point Two: Peter's Confession "You are the Christ of God!"
Sub Point Three: Jesus' Title "Son of Man"
Main Point Two: Jesus'
Sub Point One: Jesus' Charge "Tell no one"
Sub Point Two: Jesus' Suffering
Sub Point Three: Jesus' Function "Death and Resurrection"
Main Point Three: Jesus'
Sub Point One: Identity with Jesus "Anyone who would follow" Him
Sub Point Two: Jesus' Message Irony of 'Life' and 'Death'

Sub Point Three: Jesus' Glory... The matter on the last day