

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Lord's Day, June 15, 2025

Welcome and Announcements

***God Calls Us to Worship Him:** Responsive Reading of 1 Peter 1:3-7

Pastor: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Congregation: According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead

Pastor: to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,

Congregation: who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time

Pastor: In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials,

All: so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

*** We Sing in Response:** #455 Red Hymnal “*And Can It Be?*”

* 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: 1 Peter 1:13

*** We Sing In Response to God's Forgiveness:** Handout... “*Grace*”

*** We Confess Our Faith Together:** 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. - *The Apostles Creed*

Sacrament of Baptism: Jack Hayden Walker (*Covenant Child of Chase and Lynzey Walker*)

We Read From God's Word: 2 Corinthians 11:16-33

We Pray For The Congregation and Community

We Memorize God's Word: *Romans 8:10-11* But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

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:** #164 Red Hymnal "*O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing*"

Pastor Reads the Sermon Text: Acts 14:19-28

Pastor Preaches God's Word: "*Gospel Proclamation, Violent Persecution, and an 'Open Door' of Faith*" – Pastor Wes James

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

* **We Sing In Response to the Word:** #407 Black Hymnal "*It Is Well*"

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

Sermon Outline
Acts 14:19-28
“Gospel Proclamation, Violent Persecution, and an ‘Open Door’ of Faith”
06-15-25

Proposition: The good news of the gospel gives us a solid foundation of faith on which to stand and persevere against many tribulations in this life to the Glory of God.

Main Point One: Paul’s Suffering

Sub Point One: The Jews Persuasion

Sub Point Two: Paul Stoned at Lystra

Sub Point Three: Paul’s Recovery and Departure to Derbe

Main Point Two: Paul’s Ambition

Sub Point One: Proclaiming the Gospel!

Sub Point Two: A Ministry of Discipleship

Sub Point Three: Paul’s Return to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch

Sub Point Four: Facing Tribulations

Sub Point Five: Establishing Elders

Main Point Three: Paul’s Commendation

Sub Point One: Sailing to Antioch

Sub Point Two: The Church’s Gathering and Commendation

Sub Point Three: The Work of the Lord