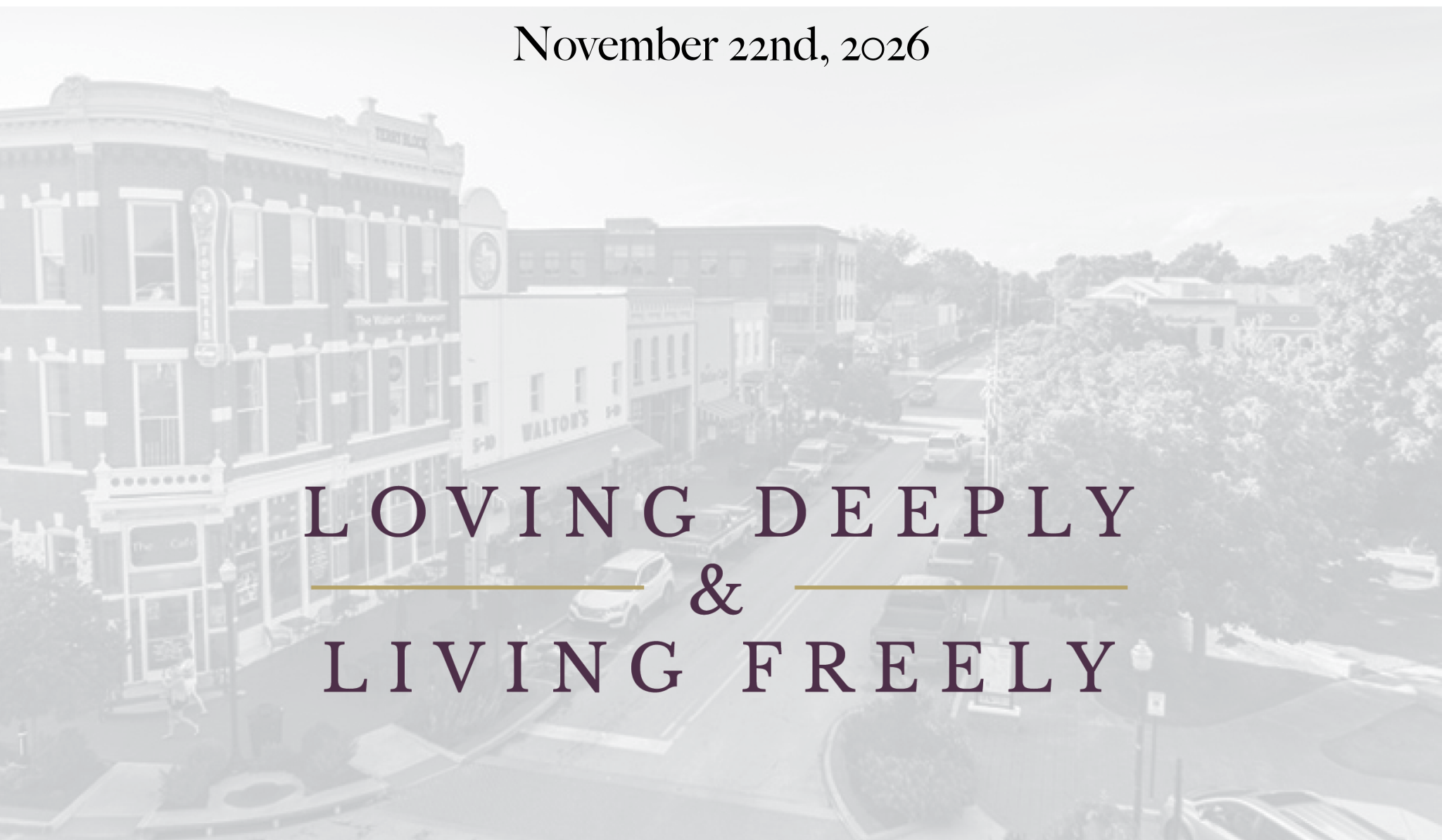
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WELCOME TO

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To all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to whosoever will come, this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus.

TO OUR GUESTS: **First**, we are glad you could join us for worship! We would love to connect with you and answer any questions you may have about Christ Church. Please take a minute and scan the QR code with your phone camera and leave us your contact information. We will be in touch early in the week. **Second**, because what we are about to do may be a little different than what you are probably used to, we ask that you give us 6 weeks. Take 6 weeks to visit, become familiar with the form, ask questions, and get to know us. We believe you'll be glad you did. **Finally**, for an explanation of the content and order of worship, read the rubric along the left hand side of the bulletin as well as the section entitled "***The Liturgical Elements of Worship"*** on page 8 of the bulletin.

Preparation for Worship

This is a time to prepare for the worship of our holy God. Pray that God would meet His people as we gather.

The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

- John 1:9-14

Call to Worship

It is the Lord who calls His people to worship Him in Spirit and in Truth. We do not call ourselves. Worship is a reflexive and deliberate response to His gracious call.

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Pastor: Grace and peace to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pastor: *Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth! Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the Lord made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.*

- Psalm 96:1-6

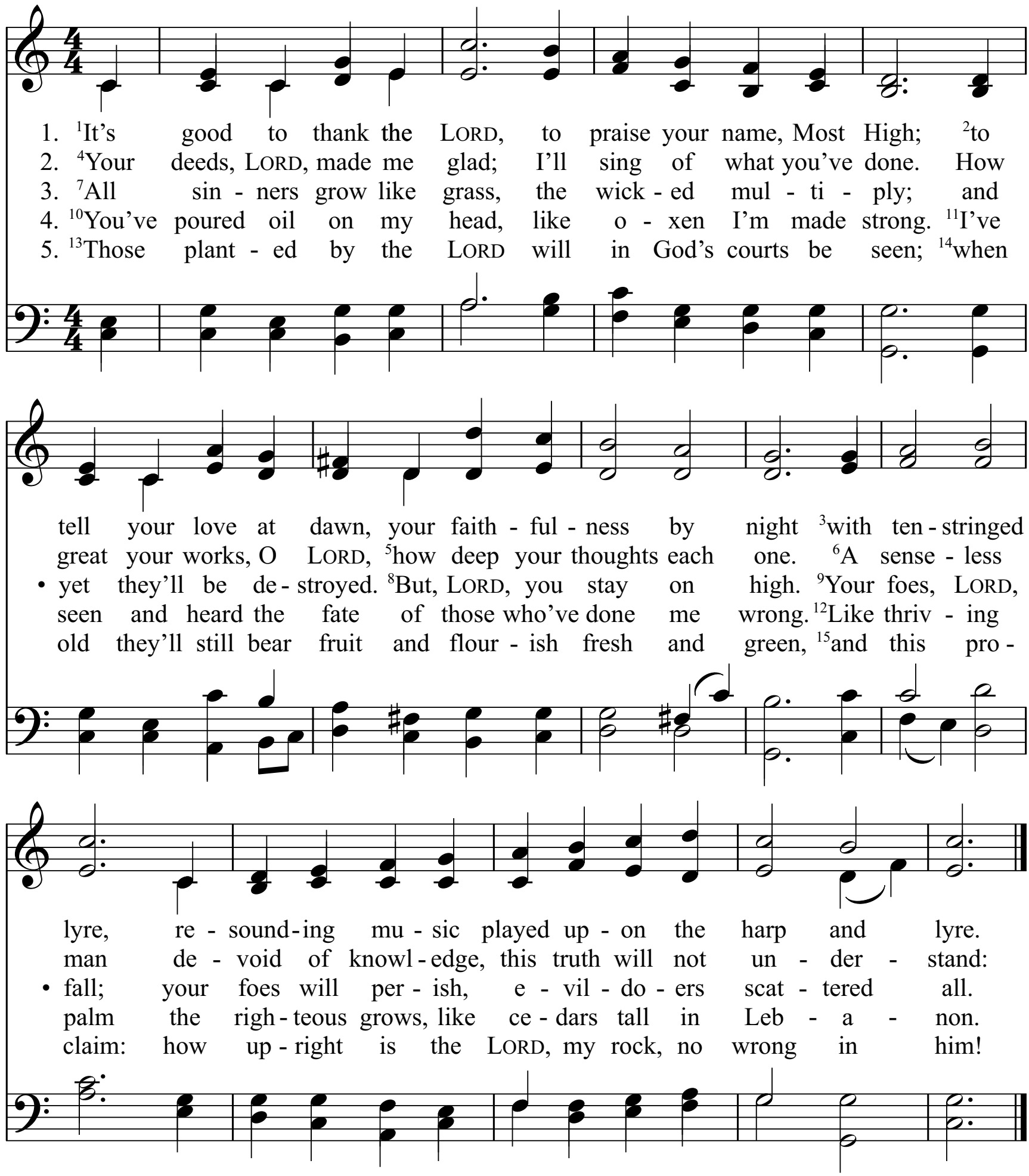
Invocation

This prayer exalts the name of the Lord and invokes His presence and communion as we come to worship Him.

Psalm 92A

Hymn of Praise

This hymn draws our hearts and minds to God acknowledging the reality and awe and wonder of who He is.



Corporate Confession of Sin

Having come into His presence, we are reminded that we are sinners in need of the deliverance from sin and its power. We both confess and lament sin as an act of worship and faith in the God Who promises to deliver His people from all their sin and sorrow. We encourage a posture of prayer (sitting or kneeling) that is most comfortable for you.

Elder: *And you shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.*

- Deuteronomy 5:20

The Ninth Commandment requires the maintaining and promoting of truth between man and man, and of our own and our neighbor's good name, especially in witness-bearing.

The Ninth Commandment forbids whatsoever is prejudicial to truth, or injurious to our own or our neighbor's good name. - WSC 77-78

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All: **Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto you that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Silently confess your sins to the Lord

Hymn of Confession/ Lament

This hymn focuses on the acknowledgment of our sin, our need of forgiveness, and the only One in whom our forgiveness and restoration are found.

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



Assurance of Salvation

Having confessed our sins, and raised our prayer for deliverance, we now hear of our salvation through the declaration of the Gospel.

Elder: *Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree"— so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.* - Galatians 3:13-14

Hymn of Faith

This hymn focuses either on God's faithfulness to us through the ages, on our responsibility to respond in faith, or the many reasons for our faith.

How Deep the Father's Love for Us



Scripture Reading

We read from both Old and New Testaments because they are not two different books but both are a part of God's unfolding plan of redemption.

Hymn of Preparation

This hymn is gospel-focused and sermon-oriented and planned with the children in mind.

New Testament - Mark 12:28-34
Old Testament - Isaiah 49:1-13
Elder: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God!

To God Be the Glory



Refrain: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory,
Great things He has done!

THE SERVANT OF THE LORD

Isaiah 49:1-13

(A note-taking guide is provided on the final page)

For the Children - servant, Israel, nations, salvation, Lord, Christ

Sermon
The preaching of God's Word is a means by which God bestows grace on His people.

Confession of Faith
Being a part of the communion of saints, we take this time to confess the truth that has been embraced by the church throughout history.

Elder: Christian, what do you believe?

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

***catholic meaning universal**

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
The Word having been preached, the death of Christ is now showed forth through the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The worthy receivers are, not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith, made partakers of His body and blood, with all his benefits, to their spiritual nourishment and grace.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the LORD.

The bread is gluten-free. Purple cups contain wine; clear cups contain grape juice. Come forward, pause to hear the words of institution, take a piece of bread and a cup, then return to your seats. Once everyone has been served, we will eat and drink together. After the service, please dispose of your used communion cup in the trash cans provided.

Pastoral Prayer
We are a needy people, and this prayer not only reflects that neediness but our dependence upon the Lord.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen!

Offertory/Hymn of Response

Giving is an act of worship. We give of our tithes and offerings because all we are and all we have are gifts of God's grace. We sing in grateful response to God's grace granted to us in both Word and Sacrament.

16 Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord

Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. Ps. 98:1



5. Praise God with harp, with harp sing praise,
with voice of psalms his glory raise;
with trumpets, cornets, gladly sing
and shout before the Lord, the King.

6. Let earth be glad, let billows roar
and all that dwell from shore to shore;
let floods clap hands with one accord,
let hills rejoice before the Lord.

7. For lo, he comes; at his command
all nations shall in judgment stand;
in justice robed and throned in light,
the Lord shall judge, dispensing right.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Psalm 98
Associate Reformed Presbyterian *Psalter*, 1931; mod.

DUKE STREET L.M.
John Hatton, 1793

Doxology
We encourage a posture lifting holy hands to the Lord in thanksgiving.

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen!

Benediction
We leave with the assurance that God intends to bless His people as we serve him and our neighbors through our various vocations throughout the week.

Pastor: *The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

- 2 Corinthians 13:14

People: And also with you!

Information

CHILDCARE

It has been our desire to offer childcare as we have volunteers. We have intentionally refrained from constant pressure and from relying upon only a few to shoulder the responsibility. At the same time, as the number of little ones increases, we do want to keep the opportunity before you. If you are able and willing to help, please scan the QR code to the right and sign up today. The more the merrier.

THE LITURGICAL ELEMENTS OF OUR WORSHIP

Why do we do what we do during our corporate worship service on Sunday? To a visitor it could seem strange. We do more than just sing, which is usually what people associate with the word "worship". There are times of silence. Prayers are spoken. The Bible is read. A sermon on a particular passage of Scripture is heard. We eat a bite of bread and drink a small amount of wine or juice in celebration of Christ's death. Money is collected. Hands are raised in devotion. Why are these elements a part of what we do together? Why don't we just hang out in small groups and sip coffee? Why don't we just sit back and watch an hour long video on being better people? All of these elements are a part of our worship because we believe they show honor to God in the way he wants to be honored. These aren't just made up elements. They are pieces in a story that is told each Sunday, with each piece either commanded or exemplified in scripture.

WHY OUR PASTORS WEAR ROBES

Wearing a robe **hides the man** - No matter what the pastor wears, whether it be an expensive suit, an inexpensive suit, business casual or holey jeans with his shirt untucked, people are always prone to put too much stock in whatever style he prefers. The black Geneva robe is designed to remove this distraction and allow us to focus on the One whom he represents. That leads to the second point. It also **emphasizes his office.** Just as a judge wears a robe when in the courtroom, a fireman wears a uniform when on duty, or a military officer wears his dress greens or blues to a formal event to announce that they are acting in an official capacity, our pastors wear robes during the worship service to signify that they are acting in their official capacity as men who have been called by God to proclaim His word to His people. The robe reminds the congregation (and the minister!) that he is in the pulpit as an ambassador of Christ, and thus is not to speak his own thoughts, give mere advice, or share worldly wisdom, but only the Word of God.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

We believe children are a blessing from the Lord, and that they should be included in the worship of God with the people of God. That means at times there will be noise in the worship service. **God put the wiggle in children and that wiggle is welcome in His house!** If you are not used to it, it may take a little time. We understand. Bearing with one another in love is our calling.

Our aim is to help parents in the training of their children in the "pew". We do this in two ways:

1. Sunday evening worship.

Every Sunday, we plan our worship services taking both children and parents into consideration. First, the Hymn of Preparation is chosen with our children in mind. We want it to be a song that they know or at least can learn quickly. Second, we offer childcare for those 0-3 during the sermon. But please know, we enjoy having children in worship! They are not distractions! Keeping them with us in worship is one of the best gifts we can give them as they will learn the blessing of worship and grow in ways we cannot imagine. Feel free to sit up front where it is easier for children to see and hear what is happening.

2. Weekly family worship.

To facilitate learning throughout the week, the following ideas are provided for families to use during their own times of worship. We incorporate the hymns, confession of faith and sermon passage for familiarity and repetition purposes.

Weekly Catechism: WSC 24

Q: How does Christ execute the office of a prophet?

A: Christ executes the office of a prophet, in revealing to us, by his word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

Monday

Sing Psalm 92.
Read Isaiah 49:1-3, Revelation 1:12-18, and WSC 24.
Who is the servant in view in Isaiah 49:1-3? Why is He called "Israel"? How is John's vision of Jesus related to Isaiah's description of the Servant? How does this show Christ's office as a prophet? How can you listen to Him?
Prayer prompt: *Thank the Lord for sending His Son as the Suffering Servant. Confess how you have failed to listen to Him.*

Tuesday

Sing "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded".
Read Isaiah 49:4-6, Luke 2:25-32 and 23:44-46, and WSC 24.
How would Isaiah 49:4 match Jesus's earthly ministry? How did He trust His Father until the end of that ministry? What does Isaiah say is the purpose of the Servant's ministry? How does Simeon apply this to Jesus in Luke 2? How have you seen His light?
Prayer prompt: *Thank the Lord that His salvation is for the whole world, including you.*

Wednesday

Sing "How Deep The Father's Love…"
Read Isaiah 49:7, Psalm 22, Philippians 2:9-11, and WSC 24.
How does the first part of Isaiah 49:7 describe Jesus's earthly ministry? How has the second part of the verse been fulfilled? What does it mean that God is faithful? How does His faithfulness give us assurance of salvation?
Prayer prompt: *Praise God for His faithfulness. Pray for someone you know that needs to bow before Jesus as their Lord and Savior.*

Thursday

Sing "To God Be The Glory".
Read Isaiah 49:8-10, 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:3, and WSC 24.
How did the Father answer Jesus? What does it mean that He was given as a covenant? How does Paul apply Isaiah 49:8? How should you respond, knowing that today is the day of salvation?
Prayer prompt: *Thank the Lord for making His salvation known to you and pray for strength and boldness to make it known to others.*

Friday

Sing Psalm 98.
Read Isaiah 49:10-13, Revelation 7:9-17, and WSC 24.
How does Isaiah show the worldwide nature of the Servant's mission? How does Revelation show the fulfillment of Isaiah 49? How have you experienced the Lord's comfort and compassion? How can you obey the command to sing and exult?
Prayer prompt: *Thank the Lord for how He has comforted you. Pray for His kingdom to spread around the world and more and more people to join His song of praise.*

SMALL GROUPS

Chambers/Fried - Rogers

1st and 3rd Thursdays; 6 PM

The Fried House
Contact: Latham (479) 903-4169

Walker - Bentonville

1st and 3rd Wednesdays; 6 PM

The Walker House
Contact: Wes (479) 409-8831

Taylor/Solms - Bentonville

1st and 3rd Wednesdays; 6 PM

The Solms House
Contact: Caleb (479) 295-5011

Youth Small Group - Bella Vista

2nd and 4th Wednesdays; 6 PM

The Wieda or Raines House
Contact: Kenny (479) 616-7493

SERMON NOTES

THE SERVANT OF THE LORD
Isaiah 49:1-13

INTRODUCTION

I. THE PURPOSE OF THE LORD'S SERVANT (vv. 1-6)

II. THE PROMISE TO THE LORD'S SERVANT (vv. 7-12)

III. THE PRAISE FOR THE LORD'S SALVATION (vs. 13)

CONCLUSION

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