



Lord's Day Service

At Church of the King on October 15th, 2023

The 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jesus said, "If you love Me, keep My commandments." John 14:15

Call to Worship: Where God Calls Us Into His Presence

Hear Today's Call to Worship From God's Word: [congregation standing]

"Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and having a High Priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful." Hebrews 10:19-23 **Come Boldly Worship the King of Kings!**

God's People Respond With a Hymn of Adoration: (based on Psalm 145:10)

O worship the King all glorious above,	Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
O gratefully sing his power and His love.	It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
Our shield and defender, the ancient of days,	It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain;
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.	And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Salutation and Response: [based on Matthew 28:19, Ruth 2:4 and Hebrews 1:1, 2]

In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit **Amen!**

Jehovah be with you! **And also with you!**

God spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets,
God has in these last days spoken to us by His Son.
Whom He has appointed heir of all things,
Through whom also He made the worlds.

Confession of Sins: Where God Cleanses Us In Christ

“Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us” Hebrews 12:1a

The Call For Confession From God’s Word:

“Therefore, we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him, God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will? Hebrews 2:1-4

God’s People Sing our Hymn of Confession:

[congregation standing]

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

That rock was Christ. 1 Cor. 10:4

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a unison vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are arranged in four systems, each with a vocal line and a piano line. Chord symbols are placed above the piano line. The score concludes with a 'Fine' marking.

1. Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my -
2. Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fil thy
3. Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply to thy
4. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids

self in thee; let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en
law's de - mands; could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for -
cross I cling; na - ked, come to thee for dress; help - less, look to
close in death, when I soar to worlds un - known, see thee on thy

side which flowed, be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its
ev - er flow, all for sin could not a - tone; thou must save, and
thee for grace; foul, I to the Foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior,
judg - ment throne, Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my -

guilt and pow'r.
thou a - lone.
or I die.
self in thee.

Silent Confession: *"We desire that each one of you show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope until the end, that you do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises." Hebrews 6:11,12*

Those who are willing and able are invited to kneel for our time of confession.

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred, and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have broken your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But have mercy upon us, as miserable sinners, O Lord. Spare us, O Lord, for we humbly confess our faults. Grant unto us the grace of repentance, according to your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for Christ's dear sake, that we may hereafter live godly, righteous, and sober lives; to the glory of your holy Name. AMEN!

Arise and Receive the Assurance of Pardon & Forgiveness:

"Thus God, determining to show more abundantly to the heirs of promise the immutability of His counsel, confirmed it by an oath, that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us. This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil, where the forerunner has entered for us, even Jesus, having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek." Hebrews 6:17-20

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for our sins and to be raised for our justification; and for His sake forgives us all our sins. This I declare in the name and authority of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Having confessed our sins with faith in the completed work of Christ on our behalf, we are forgiven; we have been cleansed and clothed in the righteousness of Jesus. And not only that, we are now **in Christ** and **in Him** you are in the heavenly places, in the very midst of the blessed Trinity with the Saints of all the ages, from every tongue, tribe and nation prepared to worship in the beauty of holiness. **Come, let us worship the Lord!**

Come Bless the Father:

Come bless the Fath - er, all you ser - vants of the Son, who stand by the Spir - it in the House of the Lord. Lift up your hands to the Ho - ly Place and bless your God. May the Lord _____ bless you from Zi - on, He Who made hea - ven and earth.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up un - to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God!

It is pro - per and right to do so.

Truly it is proper and right that we should at all times and in all places give praise to you O Lord, so with the angels and all the company of heaven and with the Church on earth, we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you & singing:

God's People Sing a Hymn of Thanks:

Now Shall My Inward Joys Arise

AFRICA (C.M.)
William Billings, 1778

Isaac Watts, 1707

1. Now shall my in - ward joys a - rise,
2. God on His thirs - ty Zi - on hills,
3. Why do we then in - dulge our fears,
4. Can a kind wo - man e'er for - get
5. "Yet," saith the LORD, "Should na - ture change
6. "Deep on the palms of both My hands

(Melody)

And burst in - to a song
Some mer - cy drops has thrown,
Su - spi - cions and of plaints?
The in - fant her womb,
And mo - thers mon - sters prove,
I have en - grav'd Her name;

Al - migh - ty love in - spires my heart,
And sol - emn oaths have bound His love
Is He a God, and shall His love
A - mong a thou - sand ten - der grace
Zi - on still dwells up - on the thoughts
My hands shall raise Her ru - in'd Heart,
walls,

And plea - sure - tunes my tongue.
To show'r Sal - va - tion down.
Grow wear - y of His saints?
Her suck - ling have no room?
Of Ev - er - last - ing Love."
And build Her bro - ken frame."

The Sacrament of Baptism:

This morning, **Tim Whitted** and **Brianna Whitted** will be baptized into the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit by profession of faith.

The **Ryan** Family will then present **Ezekiel** for baptism as a covenant child.

“Then Peter said to them, “Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call.” Acts 2:38,39

“Then they also brought infants to Him that He might touch them; but when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to Him and said, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. “Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.” Luke 18:15-17

Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ. I Corinthians 10:1-4

Hymn of Thanks: *Beneath the Blood-Stained Doorpost*

Based on Exodus 12, words attributed to Harry Ironside, sung to the tune of O Sacred Head Now Wounded

***Beneath the blood-stained doorpost I with my children stand;
A messenger of evil is passing through the land.
There is no other refuge from the destroyer's face;
Beneath the blood-stained doorpost shall be our hiding place.***

***My Savior, for my dear ones I claim Thy promise true.
The Lamb is "for the household"—the children's Savior too.
On earth the little children once felt Thy touch divine;
Beneath the blood-stained doorpost Thy blessing give to mine.***

***O Thou who gave them, guard them, those wayward little feet,
The wilderness before them, the ills of life to meet.
My mother love is helpless, I trust them to Thy care!
Beneath the blood-stained doorpost, oh, keep me ever there!***

Consecration: Where God Equips & Prepares His People

“Now this is the main point of the things we are saying: We have such a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, a Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle which the Lord erected, and not man... For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.” Hebrews 8:1,2,10

THE LORD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD: Hebrews 12:3-29

[12:3] For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls. You have not yet resisted to bloodshed, striving against sin. And you have forgotten the exhortation which speaks to you as to sons:

“My son, do not despise the chastening of the LORD, nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him; For whom the LORD loves He chastens, and scourges every son whom He receives.”

If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten?

But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons. Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected *us*, and we paid *them* respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? For they indeed for a few days chastened *us* as seemed *best* to them, but He for *our* profit, that *we* may be partakers of His holiness.

Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. Therefore strengthen the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be *dislocated*, but rather be healed.

Pursue peace with all *people*, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord: Looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled; Lest there *be* any fornicator or profane person like Esau, who for one morsel of food sold his birthright. For you know that afterward, when he wanted to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no place for repentance, though he sought it diligently with tears.

For you have not come to the mountain that may be touched and that burned with fire, and to blackness and darkness and tempest, and the sound of a trumpet and the voice of words, so that those who heard *it* begged that the word should not be spoken to them anymore. (For they could not endure what was commanded: *“And if so much as a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned or shot with an arrow.”* And so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, *“I am exceedingly afraid and trembling.”*)

But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly and church of the firstborn *who are* registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect, to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than *that of* Abel. See that you do not refuse Him who speaks.

For if they did not escape who refused Him who spoke on earth, much more *shall we not escape* if we turn away from Him who *speaks* from heaven, whose voice then shook the earth; but now He has promised, saying, *“Yet once more I shake not only the earth, but also heaven.”*

Now this, *“Yet once more,”* indicates the removal of those things that are being shaken, as of things that are made, that the things which cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God *is* a consuming fire.

God's People Respond with a Hymn of Faith:

God Moves in a Mysterious Way

UNION (C.M.)

Alexander Gillet, *Harmonia Sacra*, 1867

William Cowper, 1774

1. God moves in a mysterious way His
 2. Deep in unfathomable mines Of
 3. Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take; The
 4. Judge not the Lord by feeble sense, But
 5. His purposes will ripen fast, Un-
 6. Blind unbelief is sure to err And

Melody

wonders to perform; He plants His footsteps
 never failing skill He treasures up His
 clouds ye so much dread Are big with mercy
 trust Him for His grace; Be hind a frowning
 folding every hour; The bud may have a
 scan His work in vain; God is His own in -

in the sea And rides upon the storm.
 bright de - signs And works His sov - ereign will.
 and shall break In bles - sings on your head.
 prov - i - dence He hides a smil - ing face.
 bit - ter taste, But sweet will be the flower.
 ter - pre - ter, And He will make it plain.

God Speaks to Us Through His Word: Scripture, Prayer for Illumination, and Sermon

"For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." Hebrews 4:12

"What Does Baptism Accomplish?"

Pastor Paul Liberati

Based on 1 Corinthians 12:12-13

God's People Respond with a Hymn of Praise:

[congregation standing]

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that ... we too may live a new life. Rom. 6:4

1. Bap - tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther,
2. My lov - ing Fa - ther, me you've tak - en for - e'er to
3. And I have vowed to fear and love you, and to o -
4. My faith - ful God, your Word fails nev - er, your cov - 'nant

Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
be your child and heir; my faith - ful Sav - ior, me you've giv - en
bey you, Lord, a - lone; be - cause the Ho - ly Spir - it moved me,
sure - ly will a - bide; oh, cast me not a - way for - ev - er,

a - mong your seed, your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
your righ - teous, ho - ly life to share; O Ho - ly Spir - it,
I dared to pledge my - self your own, re - nounc - ing sin to
should I trans - gress it on my side! Though I have oft my

dead to sin: your Spir - it e'er shall live with - in.
keep will be a com - fort, guide, and help to me.
soul the faith and war with e - vil un - to death.
de - filed, in love for - give, re - store your child.

The Heidelberg Catechism – Holding forth faith in Jesus Christ as our only comfort in life and in death, we read responsively the weekly questions from the Heidelberg Catechism as a personal and eloquent reminder of what we must know to live and die in that comfort. Lord’s Day 42

110. What does God forbid in the eighth commandment? **God forbids not only such theft [1] and robbery [2] as are punished by the government, but God views as theft also all wicked tricks and devices, whereby we seek to get our neighbor’s goods, whether by force or by deceit,[3] such as unjust weights,[4] lengths, measures,[5] goods, coins, usury,[6] or by any means forbidden of God; also all covetousness [7] and the misuse and waste of His gifts.[8]**

[1] 1 Cor. 6:10. [2] 1 Cor. 5:10. [3] Lk. 3:14; 1 Thess. 4:6. [4] Prov. 11:1; 16:11. [5] Ezek. 45:9–10. Deut. 25:13–15.

[6] Ps. 15:5; Lk. 6:35. [7] 1 Cor. 6:10. [8] Prov. 5:10; *1 Tim. 6:10; *Jn. 6:12.

111. But what does God require of you in this commandment? **That I further my neighbor’s good where I can and may, deal with him as I would have others deal with me,[1] and labor faithfully, so that I may be able to help the poor in their need.[2]** [1] Matt. 7:12. [2] Eph. 4:28; *Phil. 2:4; *Gen. 3:19; *1 Tim. 6:6–7.

Member Covenant Signing: Kevin Ko, Peggy Love & The Whitted Family

“Then the king stood in his place and made a covenant before the Lord, to follow the Lord, and to keep His commandments and His testimonies and His statutes with all his heart and all his soul, to perform the words of the covenant that were written in this book. And he made all who were present in Jerusalem and Benjamin take a stand. So the inhabitants of Jerusalem did according to the covenant of God, the God of their fathers.” II Chronicles 34:31,32

“And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.” Acts 2:42

God Receives Our Tithes and Gifts as a Tribute Offering: [read in unison]

**Give to Jehovah, O families of the peoples, Give to Jehovah glory and strength.
Give to Jehovah the glory *due* His name; Bring an offering, and come before Him.
Oh, worship Jehovah in the beauty of holiness!** 1 Chronicles 16:28-29

Presenting Our Tithes and Offerings:

With the singing of Psalm 30:11-12 & the Doxology

Words composed by Brenda Fisher

1: Oh Lord you have now turned for me, My grief into a dance to Thee. In sackcloth I’m no longer dressed; With gladness you have made me blessed.	2: I will sing praises from my soul; To not be silent is my goal. Oh Lord my God to You I raise, Thanks never ending; You I praise!
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**3: Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

The Great Prayer, Concluding With the Lord’s Prayer:

Communion: Where God Communes With His People

“The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ?

The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?” 1 Corinthians 10:16

Preparation for Communion: Congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord has prepared His table for all who love and trust Him for their salvation. All those who have repented of their sins, have been baptized in the name of the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit, and are not under discipline from Christ’s Church are welcome at this table. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as our Lord our God will call.

Our Confession of Faith - The Apostle's Creed [sung with music by Amber Bartels]

Piano

I be-lieve in God the Fa-ther Al-migh-ty, Ma-ker of hea-ven and earth;

8

And in Je-sus Christ, His on-ly be-got-ten Son, our Lord; Who was con-ceived by the

16

Ho-ly Spi-rit, born of the vir-gin- Ma-ry, Suf-fered un-der Pon-tius

25

Pi-late, was dru-bi-fied, dead and bur-ied; He de-scend-ed in-to

35

hell, the third day He rose a-gain from the dead; He as-cend-ed in-to

43

heav-en, and sit-teth at the right hand of God the Fath-er Al-migh-ty; From

52

thence He shall come to judge the liv-ing and the dead. I be-lieve in the Ho-ly Spi-rit;

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I be-lieve a ho-ly cath-olic Church, the com-mun-ion of saints, the for-give-ness of sins; the

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re-sur-rec-tion of the bo-dy, and the life ev-er-last-ing. A-men.

THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US AT HIS TABLE: (Peace Offering, Gift of Life)

A Word of Encouragement -- Giving of Thanks -- Breaking of the Bread

God's People Sing a Hymn of Thanks and Celebration:

(Sung as a representative of each family comes forward to receive their bread and wine)

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to
2 Praise we him, whose love di - vine Gives his
3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured Death's dread
4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal

our vic - to - rious king. Who has washed us
sa - cred blood for wine. Gives his bod - y
an - gel sheathes the sword: Is - rael's hosts tri -
vic - tim. pas - chal bread: With sin - cer - i -

in the tide Flow - ing from his pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
for the feast— Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
um-phiant go Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
ty and love Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Mighty Victim from the sky,
Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie;
You have conquered in the fight,
You have brought us life and light.
Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,
Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened paradise,
And your saints in you shall rise.
Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
This alone can sin destroy;
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
Newborn souls in you to be.
Alleluia!

8 Father, who the crown shall give,
Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days:
Three in One, your name we praise.
Alleluia!

Feasting At The Lord's Table: A simple act of obedience on the 1st day of a new Week
Partaking of the Bread Together -- Giving Thanks -- Partaking of the Wine

"For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes." 1 Corinthians 11:26

Commissioning: Where God Sends Out His People

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God *is* a consuming fire. Let brotherly love continue. Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so *doing* some have unwittingly entertained angels. Remember the prisoners as if chained with them—those who are mistreated—since you yourselves are in the body also. Marriage *is* honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge. *Let your conduct be* without covetousness; *be* content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, “*I will never leave you nor forsake you.*” Hebrews 12:28-13:5

God's People Go Forth Singing!

Psalm 83

1. Do not be si - lent, God, or un - re - spond - ing, Do not re -
2. To - geth - er they con - spire in dead - ly ear - nest, a - gainst You
3. Treat them like Mid - i - an, like Ja - bin's ar - my, Treat them like
4. Like fire that burns the woods, like flames of light - ning, Pur - sue them

main at rest, O Might - y One For now Your foes a - rouse and make a
they have made a cov - e - nant The Ish - mae - lites are there, the tents of
Sis - e - ra at Ki - shon's brook. At En - dor they were all an - ni - hi -
with Your storms and strike with fear. Fill up their fac - es with hu - mil - i -

cla - mor, Your bit - ter en - e - mies lift up the head. A - gainst Your
E - dom, the men of Mo - ab with the Hag - a - renes. See Ge - bal,
la - ted, And they be - came as dung the up - on the ground. Like O - reb
a - tion, And let them seek Your name, Je - ho - vah, then. Let them be

peo - ple now they plot in se - cret, They meet to work a - gainst
A - ma - lek, with men of Am - mon, Be - hold, Phil - i - sti - a,
make their chiefs, their lords like Ze - bah! Who thought they would pos - sess
ter - ri - fied and shamed for - ev - er, And let them be dis - mayed

Your hid - den ones; They say, "Let us go up, and end their
and them of Tyre For As - shur too has come and joins their
the land of God. My God, O make them be like whil - ing
and be de - stroyed. Let them know You a - lone - You are Je -

na - tion: the name of Is - ra - el shall be no more!"
for - ces; they are the pow - er of the Lot.
dust - clouds; Make them like bits of chaff the sons of the wind.
ho - vah - You are the One Most High o'er all the earth.

God Blesses His People – The Benediction:

[congregation standing]

*Then Aaron lifted up his hands toward the people and blessed them,
and he came down from offering the sin offering and the burnt offering and the peace offerings. Leviticus 9:22*

""Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen." *Hebrews 13:20, 21, 25*

God's People Depart to Serve the Risen & Reigning Savior by Singing:

Simeon's Prayer & the Gloria Patri

Lord, now let- test Thou Thy ser- vant de- part in peace, ac- cord- ing to Thy Word:

For mine eyes have seen Thy sal-va- tion, Which Thou hast pre- pared be- fore the face of all peo- ple;

A light to ligh- ten the Gen- tiles, and the glo- ry of Thy peo- ple Is - - - ra - el.

-- With Lifted Hands --

Glo - ry be to the Fa- ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost;

as it was in the be- gin- ning, is now and ev- er shall be, world with- out end. A - men.

October 15th, 2023

Church of the King

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~Worship begins promptly at 1:00 p.m. ~ Today's pulpit supply ~ Pastor Paul Liberati ~

PRAYER REQUESTS

- For all who claim the Name of Jesus, that we would live in a manner worthy of our calling, serving one another to the glory of God. May we be humble in all our interactions, having patience & bearing with one another in love, uniting in the bond of our Savior, worshipping Him in spirit & in truth, seeking His face in prayer, & faithfully studying His Word.
- For our expectant mothers, Claire Smith, Sarah Sifford, Sindy Kendrick, & Robin Ferguson, that their babies would continue to grow healthy & strong, & for renewed energy & strength for all of the mothers in our midst.
- For our families who are seeking to move, that our Lord would provide for their needs.
- For all who are dealing with illness, injury, other health issues, grief, or personal trials, that our Lord would grant patience, healing, wisdom, comfort, & trust in the perfect will of the One Who does all things well.
- For family members & friends who are under discipline, unsaved, or have strayed from the faith, that our Lord would bring them to repentance & restore them to the fellowship of Christ's church; & that we would boldly & lovingly proclaim the truth to them at every opportunity, standing strong in the Lord & in the power of His might.
- For churches who are in need of pastors, elders, & deacons, that our Lord would continue to raise up Godly men to lead these flocks, & for those men who are currently serving, that they may have strengthened faith & abundant wisdom as they minister to their congregations.
- For the saints throughout the world who are suffering & dying in the Name of Jesus, that they would find strength, comfort, & hope as they fully trust in God's goodness. And also for their persecutors, that their hearts would be softened to the Gospel.
- For all elected & appointed officials, that they would recognize their need to depend on God for knowledge, wisdom, & the courage to do what is right, reject all counsel that violates righteousness, & bring dignity, honor, trustworthiness, & integrity to their positions, remembering their accountability to Almighty God, Who is angry with the wicked every day.
- For the Church worldwide, that the Word of God would be faithfully preached, believed, & obeyed, giving glory to the Name of our only Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Our fellowship lunch follows today's worship service. We welcome all to be our guests & to sing as we ask the Lord's blessing:

Be present at our table Lord.
Be here and everywhere adored.
These mercies bless and grant that we
May feast in Paradise with Thee.

We thank Thee Lord for this our food,
For life and health and every good.
By Thine own hand may we be fed.
Give us this day our daily bread.

Weekly Meetings (also detailed on our website):

Men's Fellowship Breakfast:

~ Meets at 8:00am on Wednesdays at Denny's on Sunrise; reading By This Standard: The Authority of God's Law Today by Greg Bahnsen Contact Pastor Stooos.

Sacramento Area Bible Study:

~ Meets at 7:00pm on Tuesdays. Contact Patrick Avanto.

Grass Valley Area Book Study:

~ Meets for potluck at 6:00pm, study starts at 7:00pm on Wednesdays at rotating locations; reading No Mere Mortals by Toby Sumpter. Contact Nathaniel Pettyjohn. (530)205-5162

Ladies' Book Study:

~ Meets at 9:00am on Saturdays at the Stooos home. Contact Linda Stooos.

Vallejo Area Study:

~ Meets at the Kendrick home every two weeks. Contact Damell Kendrick.

Birthdays

Ryan Holst ~ October 17th
Chris Serroels ~ October 17th
Ella Pekarek ~ October 18th

Hall Takedown Today

John Sifford, John Pekarek, Ryan Holst,
Jonathan Liberati, Birken Vogt & Sons

Next Week's Playground Duty

Pekarek