

Lord's Day Service



At Church of the King on August 17th 2025

The 10th Sunday of Ordinary Time

"How sweet are Your words to my taste, Sweeter than honey to my mouth!" Psalms 119:103

Call to Worship: Where God Calls Us Into His Presence

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

Jehovah opens the eyes of the blind; Jehovah raises those who are bowed down; Jehovah loves the righteous. Jehovah watches over the strangers; He relieves the fatherless and widow; But the way of the wicked He turns upside down. Jehovah shall reign forever— Your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise Jehovah! Psalm 146:8-10

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 Psalm 95:6-7a]

In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit

Amen!

Jehovah be with you!

And also with you!

Oh, Come let us worship and bow down;

Let us kneel before Jehovah, our maker.

For He is our God;

And we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

Confession of Sins: Where God Cleanses Us In Christ

The Call for Confession from God's Word: Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man to whom Jehovah does not impute iniquity, and in whose spirit, *there is no deceit*. When I kept silent, my bones grew old through my groaning all the day long. For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; My vitality was turned into the drought of summer. Selah. I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I have not hidden. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to Jehovah," and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah. Psalm 32:1-5

God's People Sing our Hymn of Confession: [congregation standing]

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

PICARDY (8 7. 8 7. 8 7)
 French traditional carol, 17th century
 arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906
 Unison

Liturgy of St. James
 tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1864

1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, And with fear and
 2. King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, As of old on
 3. Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard
 4. At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with

trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
 earth He stood, Lord of lords, in hu - man ves - ture,
 on the way, As the Light of light de - scend - eth,
 sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence,

For with bless - ing in His hand, Christ our God to
 In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to
 From the realms of end - less day, That the pow'rs of
 As with cease - less voice they cry: Al - le - lu - ia,

earth de - scend - eth, Our full hom - age to de - mand.
 all the faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.
 hell may van - ish As the dark - ness clears a - way.
 Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!

Silent Confession: "I cry out with my whole heart; Hear me, O Jehovah! I will keep Your statutes.

I cry out to You; Save me, and I will keep Your testimonies." Psalms 119:145-146

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

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty who was and is and is to come. In your merciful presence we confess that we have broken your Law, both in what we have done and what we have left undone. We confess that these trespasses, apart from your grace, result in our impurity, and also make us liable to receive your just punishments. We confess our sins and ask that you wash us from our impurities through the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ. We acknowledge our iniquities, and ask that you shield us from punishment through the atoning death of our Savior. From our violations of your just Law, forgive us through the perfect obedience of our Lord, and empower us to love mercy, do justice and walk humbly with You. Finally, we ask you to receive our praise and worship, for we speak in the blessed name of Jesus, and seek the visible manifestation of His Kingdom on earth, Amen.

Arise and Receive the Assurance of Pardon & Forgiveness:

"God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus." Ephesians 2:4-8

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** we 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. And so, with the angels and all the company of heaven and with the Church, as she gathers throughout the world this day, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you & singing:

God's People Sing a Hymn of Thanks:

[congregation standing]

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 - ty in - dulge - our fears,
4. Can a kind then 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 com - plaints?
The in - fant of her womb,
And mo - thers of 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 grace
A - mong a thou - sand ten - der thoughts
Zi - on still dwells up - on the Heart,
My hands shall raise Her ru - in'd 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."

Consecration: Where God Equips & Prepares His People

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved. Ephesians 1:3-6

2 Peter 1:1-21 Peter's Final Admonition to the Saints

[1:1] Simon Peter, a bondservant and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who have obtained like precious faith with us by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ:

Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord, as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness,

To godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love. For if these things are yours and abound, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.

Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble; for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

For this reason, I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know and are established in the present truth.

Yes, I think it is right, as long as I am in this tent, to stir you up by reminding you, knowing that shortly I must put off my tent, just as our Lord Jesus Christ showed me. Moreover, I will be careful to ensure that you always have a reminder of these things after my departure.

For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty. For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: "This is My Beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.

And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts; knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.

God's People Respond With a Hymn of Preparation:

How Firm a Foundation

Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Is. 41:10

1. How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your
2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; for I am your
3. "When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of
4. "When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all-suf-

faith in his excellent Word! What more can he say than to
God, and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and
sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be with you, your
ficient, shall be your supply; the flame shall not hurt you; I

you he has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.
troubles to bless, and sanctify to you your deepest distress.
only de-sign your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

5. "E'en down to old age all my people shall prove my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love; and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.
6. "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

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

“Qualifications for Elders”, Part 2

From Pastor Paul Liberati

Based on 1 Timothy 3:1-7

God’s People Sing a Hymn of Response:

[congregation standing]

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High!

DEO GRACIAS AGINCOURT HYMN (L.M.)

English melody, 15th century

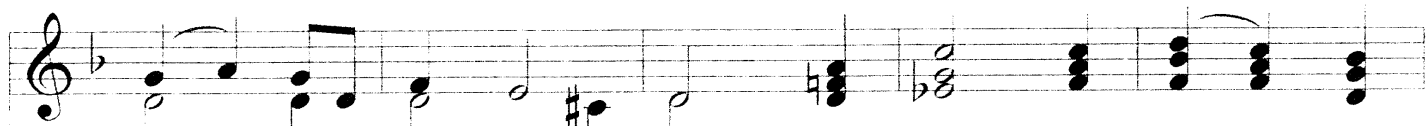
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Anon., 15th century Latin hymn

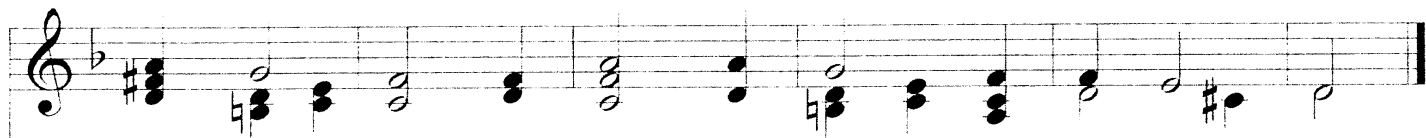
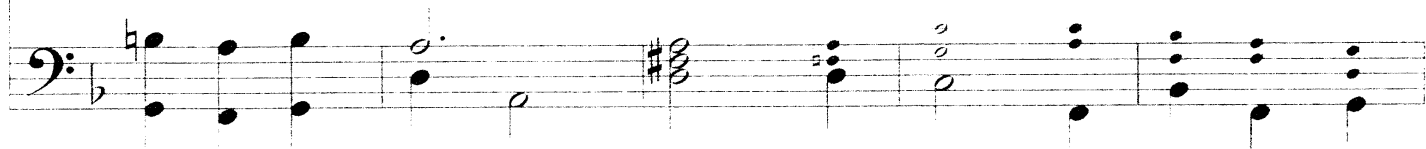
tr. Benjamin Webb, 1854, 1871



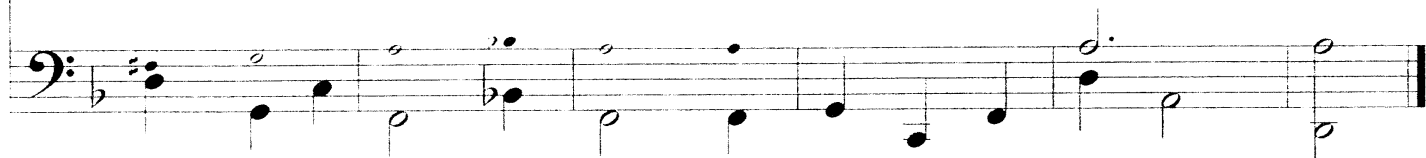
1. O love, how deep, how broad, how high! How pass - ing
2. For us bap - tized, for us He bore His ho - ly
3. *For us to wick - ed men be - trayed, Scourged, mocked, in*
4. For us He rose from death a - gain; For us He
5. All hon - or, laud, and glo - ry be, O Je - sus,



thought and fan - ta - sy, That God, the Son of
fast and hun - gered sore; For us temp - ta - tions
crown of thorns ar - rayed; For us He bore the
went on high to reign; For us He sent His
vir - gin - born, to Thee: Whom with the Fa - ther



God, should take Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
sharp He knew; For us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.
cross - 's death; For us at length gave up His breath.
Spir - it here To guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.
we a - dore, And Ho - ly Ghost for - ev - er - more.



God Receives Our Tithes and Gifts as a Tribute Offering: [congregation standing]

“And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;” Ephesians 4:11-13

With the singing of Psalm 100:1-3, & the Doxology

Words composed by William Kethe, 1561

1: All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice. Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell; Come ye before Him and rejoice.	2: Know that the Lord is God indeed; Without our aid He did us make; We are His folk, He doth us feed, And for His sheep He doth us take.
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**5: 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: Tony Gonzales

“Jehovah has heard my supplication; Jehovah will receive my prayer.” Psalm 6:9

**Our Father,
Which 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 the evil one,
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever: AMEN [Matthew 6:9-13]**

Communion: Where God Communes With His People

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 cru - ci - 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,

60
I be - lieve a ho - ly cath - olic Church, the com - mun - ion of saints, the for - give - ness of sins; the

70
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)

How Sweet and Awful Is the Place

ST. COLUMBA (C.M.)
Old Irish hymn melody

Isaac Watts, *Hymns and Sacred Songs*, 1707

1. How sweet and awful is the place
2. While all our hearts and all our songs
3. "Why was I made to hear Thy voice,
4. 'Twas the same love that spread the feast
5. Pit - y the na - tions, O our God!
6. We long to see Thy church - es full,

With Christ with - in the doors, While ev - er - last - ing
Join to ad - mire the feast, Each of us cry, with
And en - ter while there's room, When - thou - sands make a
That sweet - ly drew us in; Else we had still re -
Con - strain the earth to come; Send Thy vic - to - rious
That all the cho - sen race May with one voice and

love dis - plays The choic - est of her stores!
thank - ful tongues, "Lord, why was I a guest?
wretch - ed choice, And rath - er starve than come?"
fused to taste, And per - ished in our sin.
Word a - broad, And bring the stran - gers home.
heart and soul, Sing Thy re - deem - ing grace.

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

"When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen" Matthew 28:17-20

God's People Respond With Singing

Psalm 20

DER HERR ERHÖR DICH (8 7. 8 7. 8 7. 8 7. 7)
Heinrich Schütz, 1661

Douglas Wilson, 2001

1. The LORD hear thee in trou - bled times, May Ja - cob's God de - fend thee,
2. We will re - joice; sal - va - tion comes! In God's name lift our ban - ners.
3. Some al - ways trust in char - i - ots And oth - ers trust in hors - es,

And send out strength from Zi - on's hill And from His sanc - tu - ar - y.
May God ful - fill all thy re - quests And lift up all thy ban - ners.
But we re - call our LORD and God, Strong past our own re - sourc - es.

May He re - call thine of - fer - ings, With all thy sac - ri - fic - es,
Thus now I know God saves His own, God saves His own a - noin - ted.
Our en - e - mies have fall - en low But we are held and up - right.

And grant thee all thy heart's de - sire, Ful - fill - ing all thy
He al - ways hears, with His right hand He comes from heav'n a -
So save us, LORD, our God and King As we in trou - ble

pur - pose, As His good grace suf - fic - es.
bove us, And in the strength ap - point - ed.
call Thee, As we in trou - ble call Thee.

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*

“The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit *be* with you all. Amen.” 2 Corinthians 13:14

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:* Glory Be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen**

The Heidelberg Catechism – Lord’s Day 33

88. In how many things does true repentance or conversion consist?

In two things: the dying of the old man,[1] and the making alive of the new.

[1] Rom. 6:4–6; Eph. 4:22–24; Col. 3:5–10; 1 Cor. 5:7.

89. What is the dying of the old man?

Heartfelt sorrow for sin, causing us to hate and turn from it always more and more.[1] [1] Rom. 8:13; Joel 2:13.

90. What is the making alive of the new man?

Heartfelt joy in God through Christ,[1] causing us to take delight in living according to the will of God in all good works.[2]

[1] Rom. 5:1; 14:17; Isa. 57:15. [2] Rom. 8:10–11; Gal. 2:20; *Rom. 7:22.

91. What are good works? **Those only which proceed from true faith,[1] and are done according to the law of God,[2] unto His glory,[3] and not such as rest on our own opinion [4] or the commandments of men.[5] [1] Rom. 14:23.**

[2] 1 Sam. 15:22; Eph. 2:10. [3] 1 Cor. 10:31. [4] Deut. 12:32; Ezek. 20:18, 20; Isa. 29:13. [5] Matt. 15:9; *Num. 15:39.

92. What is the law of God? **The Ten Commandments**

Ex. 20; Deut. 5; *Matt. 5:17–19; *Rom. 10:5; *Rom. 3:31; *Ps. 119:9.

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~ Worship begins promptly at 1:30 p.m. ~ Today's pulpit supply ~ Pastor Paul Liberati ~

PRAYER REQUESTS

• **General Prayers**

- An increasing love for Christ, the Gospel and His Worship
- A sacrificial love for the Church, both here and around the world
- That God would bless us with everything we need, including employment, housing, and health enough to serve Him with our lives.

- **The Expectant Mothers** Marie Choban, Jessika Roome, Kayla Pettyjohn, Ame Stabler, Zondra Ko & Annika Holst.

- **Those Suffering from Sickness and Personal Trial** Manuella Pop (back surgery complications), Nicole Kraber (kidney stones), Kyra Fox (maintenance chemo), Isaiah Gonzales (digestive issues), Craig Garbe family (illness & relocation due to house mold), Caleb, 3yo son of Joshua Haymes, (kidney transplant surgery recovery), Steffan Rhoads (stroke recovery), Sean Van Ness' father, Roy (pain management & sleep issues). Spenser Pettyjohn's grandmother, Staci Webb (early surgery for her illness) We lift up those with illness, injury or physical health complications, such as heart disease, diabetes, cancer & stroke; Especially those who might be struggling with anxiety or depression.

We pray for those marriages that are experiencing trials or are broken.; Especially for the Begley, Van Ness & Ryan families: We pray for repentance, forgiveness, reconciliation & restoration; We pray for their children, protect them from uncertainty, fear & anger & give them assurance that they are loved;

- **Our Leaders and Prospective Leaders in the Church**

Elders: John Stoos, Paul Liberati & Chris Serroels

Deacons: Roger Walker & Igor Avanto (on sabbatical);

Officers in Training: Jacob Stabler, Deonte Walters, Justin Roome, Gabriel Stein & Patrick Avanto

- **Our Leaders in the Community** – Christian Business Owners, Parachurch Ministries and Pro-Life Organizations

- **Other Christian Churches** - particularly Redeemer Church in Lynnwood, WA, and Pastor Michael Kloss.

- **Elected and Appointed Officials** - President, Governors, Legislators, Justices, Federal & State Office Holders, Local Sheriffs, County Supervisors & City Councils

- **Those Straying from the Faith** - Brothers: Jeremiah, Payton & Garrett Snipes, Jeffrey Sudin, Philip Pesola & Dale Pettyjohn

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM: Lord's Day 33 this week

Our fellowship lunch follows today's worship service. We welcome all to be our guests and 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 Stoos.

Roseville Area Book Study:

~ Meets at 7:00pm on Thursdays at the Pitts home; reading Through New Eyes by James B. Jordan. Contact Vern Pitts.

Grass Valley Area Book Study:

~ Meets for potluck at 6:00pm, study starts at 7:00pm on Wednesdays at rotating locations; reading The Federal Vision edited by Steve Wilkins & Duane Garner. Contact Nathaniel Pettyjohn. (530)205-5162

Birthdays

Andrew Serroels - August 11th

Isabella Vrsek - August 15th

Donovan Kraber - August 16th

Kataleya Kendrick - August 19th

Anniversaries

Isaac & Victoria Stabler - August 13th

Igor & Paula Avanto - August 20th