

# LORD'S DAY • SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

Corporate worship is designed to welcome God's hungry children to sit at his table once again and have our hungry hearts filled with what he alone can supply.

# CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

The Lord is righteous in all his ways, *And kind in all his works.* 

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.

The Lord preserves all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.

My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

### (LITURGICAL GUIDE)

Members & Guests are invited to be seated before worship and again during singing. We ask our greeters to pause congregational seating during corporate prayers and Sacraments.

#### Psalm 47:2

For the Lord, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.

#### Isaiah 53:4

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

## WORSHIP IN SONG

# Come Thou Almighty King

Words: Anonymous, 1757. Music: Felice de Giardini, 1769.

Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing, Help us to praise.

Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious,

Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, Our prayer attend. Come, and thy people bless, and give thy Word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear In this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To the great One in Three eternal praises be, Hence evermore. His sovereign majesty may we in glory see, And to eternity love and adore.

# Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

Words: Thomas Kelly, 1804. Music: 17th century German tune, arr. by Phillip Palmertree, 1990.

Stricken, smitten, and afflicted, see him dying on the tree!
'Tis the Christ by man rejected; yes, my soul, 'tis he, 'tis he!
'Tis the long-expected Prophet, David's Son, yet David's Lord;
By his Son God now has spoken: 'tis the true and faithful Word.

Tell me, ye who hear him groaning, was there ever grief like his? Friends thro' fear his cause disowning, foes insulting his distress; Many hands were raised to wound him, none would interpose to save; But the deepest stroke that pierced him was the stroke that Justice gave.

Ye who think of sin but lightly nor suppose the evil great Here may view its nature rightly, here its guilt may estimate. Mark the sacrifice appointed, see who bears the awful load; 'Tis the Word, the Lord's Anointed, Son of Man and Son of God.

Here we have a firm foundation, here the refuge of the lost; Christ's the Rock of our salvation, his the name of which we boast. Lamb of God, for sinners wounded, sacrifice to cancel guilt! None shall ever be confounded who on him their hope have built.

# Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken, 1709. Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavn'ly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

# CHILDREN'S SERMON & INTERLUDE

## CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Oh taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

—PSALM 34:8

## PREACHING OF THE WORD

Luke 17:20-37 • "Not About the Rapture" • Rev. Randy Rhea
The grass withers, the flower fades but the word of our God will stand forever.

—ISAIAH 40:8

## CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The leadership will pass trays with the elements.

Please hold on to the elements until everyone has been served.

All bread that is served is gluten free, and the trays contain grape juice.

## **SONG OF RESPONSE**

#### It Is Well

My sin, oh the bliss of this glorious thought! My sin, not in part but the whole, Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

It is well (it is well)
With my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul.

# BENEDICTION

# (LITURGICAL GUIDE)

#### Romans 11:36

For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

3K & 4K are invited to the front for the children's sermon and then children's church.

The Corporate Confession of Sin reminds us all that we are no better than others and that it is ONLY Grace which makes any of us what we are.

### Romans 8:1

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

AFFINITY GROUPS AND CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

will meet at 10am.

#### **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES**

meet on Wednesdays. Studies include a 2-yr Bible Reading Plan, "None Like Him" by Jen Wilkin, and "Daughters of Grace - Women of the Bible & The God of Grace." Please use the QR to register for a class.

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**SERMON NOTES**Luke 17:20-37 • "Not About the Rapture"

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