Liturgy October 30, 2022

Welcome and Announcements

**Musical Prelude** 

Call to Worship

Minister: Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Song of Adoration: Hymn #92 – "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

Prayer of Invocation

Song of Praise: Red Book #52 – "O Great God"

Song of Thanksgiving: Hymn #347 – "The Church's One Foundation"

Confession of Faith

Minister: Christians, what do you believe?

Congregation: Apart from grace we prove each day that we are guilty sinners. Fallen in that first sin, we fail to thank God, we break his laws, we ignore our tasks. Looking for life without God, we find only death; grasping for freedom outside his law, we trap ourselves in Satan's snares; pursuing pleasure, we lose the gift of joy. In all our strivings to save ourselves, we stand condemned before the God of truth. But our world, broken and scarred, still belongs to God. He holds it together and gives us hope.

Scripture Reading: 1 John 4:1-6

Confession of Sin

Minister: Let us now confess our sin before the Lord.

Congregation: Eternal God, we confess that often we have failed to be an obedient church: we have not done your will; we have broken your law; we have rebelled against your love; we have not loved our neighbors; we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon

Hear now the promises of God to those who truly repent of their sin and trust in Christ: To all who turn from sin in sorrow, to all who turn to God in hope, this is God's Word of grace: We are accepted, we are forgiven, we are loved. This gift we have from God.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession – Dennis Ferris, Ruling Elder

Song of Preparation: Hymn #498 – "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!"

Sermon: Guest pastor: Allen, missionary – "A Template for Pointing to the Messiah" Scripture: Luke 9:51-56; John 4:1-26 Notes:

The Lord's Supper (If an ordained Minister is present)

Invitation to Communicants

Words of Institution

Distribution of the elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him and he will make your paths straight. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

Closing Song: #731 – "Doxology"

Benediction