## Liturgy November 20, 2022

Welcome and Announcements

Musical Prelude: "Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated" – Harry Jameson, Cello

Call to Worship

Minister: The earth is the Lord's, for he made it. Worship the Lord in the beauty of His

holiness. The mercy of the Lord is everlasting. Lord, open our lips.

Song of Adoration: Hymn #715- "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

Prayer of Invocation

Song of Praise: Hymn #363- "We Gather Together"

Song of Thanksgiving: Red Book #8- "There Is a Redeemer"

Confession of Faith

Minister: Christians, what do you believe?

Congregation: In our world, bent under the weight of sin, Christ gathers a new community. Satan and his evil forces seek whom they may confuse and swallow; but Jesus builds his church, his Spirit guides, and grace abounds. The church is the fellowship of those who confess Jesus as Lord. She is the Bride of Christ, his chosen partner, loved by Jesus and loving him: delighting in his presence, seeking him in prayer, silent before the mystery of his love. Our new life in Christ is celebrated and nourished in the fellowship of congregations where God's name is praised, his Word proclaimed, his way taught; where sins are confessed, prayers and gifts are offered, and sacraments are celebrated.

Scripture Reading: 1 John 3:1-10

Confession of Sin

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

Congregation: Righteous Father, we who own more than we use, proclaim more than we experience, and request more than we need, come asking your forgiveness. We seek your salvation, then act like we save ourselves. We beg your forgiveness, then repeat our errors. We experience your grace, then act defeated. We rely on your power, but only in hard times. We have become confused and misguided. Forgive our every defection. Bring us to an unbroken commitment and a steady trust, through Jesus Christ, who is the way of hope, the truth of God, and the life of love, now and always. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon

Hear now the promises of God to those who truly repent of their sin and trust in Christ: Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the offenses of your people? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show your mercy. Once again you have compassion on us. You tread our sins underfoot and hurl our transgressions into the depths of the sea.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession – Mr. Rick Moore, Ruling Elder

Song of Preparation: Hymn #676- "Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment"

Sermon: Guest pastor: Rev. Ed Veldhuizen, "Pilgrims Yesterday & Today"

Scripture: Psalm 107 & Hebrews 11:13-16

## Outline:

I. Pilgrims: Thankful for Being Led by a Sovereign God

II. Pilgrims: Guidance & Direction in the Midst of Trials

III. Pilgrims: Never Forsaken

IV. Pilgrims: God Guides Them to That Better Homeland

The Lord's Supper

**Invitation to Communicants** 

Words of Institution

Distribution of the elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

"<sup>27</sup> Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal." (John 6:27)

Closing Song: Red Book #35- "Give Thanks"

Benediction