

Sierra View Presbyterian Church Liturgy
Sunday, March 19, 2023

Welcome and Announcements

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

The eternal Father, who loved us and set us free from our sins, who loves us still with that love that will not let us go, and who will love us forever, calls us to worship him today as the only true lover of our souls. The Lord stoops to receive the love of our poor hearts. He calls us to remember the depth of his love for us in Christ. God seeks our love!

Song of Adoration: Hymn #310- "Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

Prayer of Invocation

Song of Praise: Red Book #40- "Behold Our God"

Song of Thanksgiving: Hymn #629- "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Confession of Faith –

Minister: Christians, what do you believe?

Congregation:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

—Apostles' Creed

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 53

Confession of Sin

Minister: Let us confess our sin.

Congregation: Eternal and merciful God, you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and you have set us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake. Yet we have strayed from your way; we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, through what we have done and what we have left undone. As we remember the lavish gift of your grace symbolized in baptism, O God, we praise you and give you thanks that you forgive us yet again. Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to

sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and reigns with you, and in whose strong name we pray.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear now the promises of God to those who truly repent of their sin and trust in Christ: Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

—based on Isaiah 53:4-6

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

Song of Preparation: Hymn #457- “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Sermon: Guest pastor: Rev. Ed Veldhuizen, “The Garden of Gethsemane”

Scripture: Mark 14:32-42; Luke 22:39-46

Outline:

- I. Scripture was Fulfilled
- II. The Garden of Agony
- III. The Cup of Submission
- IV. The Victory Before the Crucifixion

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to Communicants
Words of Institution
Distribution of the elements
Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

—Hebrews 13:16

Closing Song: Hymn #384- “Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”- vs.1

Benediction

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

-Ephesians 3:20-21