

Sierra View Presbyterian Church Liturgy  
Sunday, March 26, 2023

Welcome and Announcements

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

The Lord Jesus who calls us to worship him today is the same Jesus who refused the temptation to worship the evil one. Rather than receive the glorious kingdoms of this world, he endured the shame of the cross, and today is Lord of lords and King of kings. Now are gathered in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, glory, and power. With the saints of all ages we say, "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

—based on Colossians 2:3; Revelation 5:12

Song of Adoration: Hymn #122- "God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory"

Prayer of Invocation

Song of Praise: Red Book #18- "His Love Can Never Fail"

Song of Thanksgiving: Red Book #52- "O Great God"

Confession of Faith –

Minister: Christians, what do you believe?

**Congregation:**

**We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made: of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and was made human. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to life in the world to come. Amen.**

—Nicene Creed

Scripture Reading: Luke 18:9-14

Confession of Sin

Minister: Let us confess our sin.

**Congregation: Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

Assurance of Pardon

Hear now the promises of God to those who truly repent of their sin and trust in Christ:

Through Jesus Christ forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace.

—based on Acts 13:38; Ephesians 1:7

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession –Graham Smith

Song of Preparation: Hymn #465- “Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord”

Sermon: Guest pastor: Mr. Graham Smith, “Contrite Confessions”

Scripture: Psalm 51:1-19

Outline:

- 1 the pleading
- 2 the acknowledgement
- 3 the response

The Lord's Supper - Rev. Ed Veldhuizen

Invitation to Communicants

Words of Institution

Distribution of the elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

God of glory, receive these gifts and the offering of our lives. As Jesus was lifted up from earth, draw us to your heart in the midst of this world, that all creation may be brought from bondage to freedom, from darkness to light, and from death to life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Closing Song: Red Book #51- “The Bond of Love”

Benediction

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

-Hebrews 13:20-21