

Sierra View Presbyterian Church Liturgy
Sunday, April 30, 2023

Welcome and Announcements

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name. For the LORD is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations.

—Psalm 100, NIV

Song of Adoration: Hymn #76- "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

Prayer of Invocation

Song of Praise: Red Book #47- "The Goodness of Jesus"

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

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.

Scripture Reading: Job 19:23-27

Confession of Sin

Minister: Let us confess our sin.

Congregation: When we see God's beautiful holiness, we recognize our own lack of holiness. God is light and truth, yet we live among shadows and lies. People of God, let us acknowledge who and whose we are; let us ask our powerful God to illumine us with grace and truth in Jesus, our Lord.

Assurance of Pardon

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

He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

-based on 1 Peter 2:24

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession – Dennis Ferris, Ruling Elder

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

As we come before God with our tithes and offerings, let us remember the words of Micah 6: What does the Lord require of us? To act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God. Thus we bring our money, gifts, and whole lives as an offering to our God.

Song of Preparation: Hymn #461- “Not What My Hands Have Done”

Sermon: Guest pastor: Rev. Ed Veldhuizen, “Appearance: Cleopas & Friend on the Way to Emmaus”

Scripture: Luke 24:13-35

Outline:

- I. The Report
- II. The Conversation with the “Stranger-on-the Road”
- III. The Haste/Urgency of Reporting the Amazing/Sensational Good News
- IV. What Does This Passage Teach Us?

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to Communicants

Words of Institution

Distribution of the elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

Benediction

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

-1 Thessalonians 5:23-24