

Sierra View Presbyterian Church Liturgy  
Sunday, July 2, 2023

Welcome and Announcements

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations. I declare that your steadfast love is established forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David: 'I will establish your descendants forever and build your throne for all generations.'" Praise the Lord!

—based on Psalm 89:1-4

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

Prayer of Invocation

Song of Praise: Red Book #46- "May the Peoples Praise You"

Song of Thanksgiving: Red Book #10- "Come, Ye Sinners"

Confession of Faith – Heidelberg Catechism Q. & A. 8-10

Minister: But are we so perverted that we are altogether unable to do good and prone to do evil?

**Congregation: Yes, unless we are born again through the Spirit of God.**

Minister: Is not God unjust in requiring of man in his Law what he cannot do?

**Congregation: No, for God so created man that he could do it. But man, upon the instigation of the devil, by deliberate disobedience, has cheated himself and all his descendants out of these gifts.**

Minister: Will God let man get by with such disobedience and defection?

**Congregation: Certainly not, for the wrath of God is revealed from heaven, both against our inborn sinfulness and our actual sins, and he will punish them according to his righteous judgment in time and in eternity, as he has declared: "Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the book of the Law and do them."**

Scripture Reading: Galatians 3:7-14

Confession of Sin

Minister: Let us confess our sin.

**Congregation: Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures**

**we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and turn them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.**

#### Assurance of Pardon

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

Can a woman forget her nursing child, or show no compassion for the child of her womb? As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you, says the Lord.

—based on Isaiah 49:15; 66:13

#### Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession – Dennis Ferris, Ruling Elder

#### The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Gracious God, we give our best, lest in gaining the world we lose life itself. As a covenant people, we seek to witness to your will and way. Help us to know more clearly what you would have us do with the wealth entrusted to our care. As we contribute to the needs of your people, we present ourselves as living sacrifices. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

#### Song of Preparation: Hymn #689- “Be Still, My Soul”

#### Sermon: Guest pastor: Rev. Will Hawk, “A Living Help”

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:3-5

Outline: None provided

#### 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

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God’s Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, remain with you always.

—based on Philippians 4:7