

Sierra View Presbyterian Church Liturgy  
Sunday, July 23, 2023

Welcome and Announcements

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

Almighty God, we pray for your blessing on the church in this place. Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened. Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged. Here may the tempted find help, and the sorrowful find comfort. Here may the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed. Here may the aged find consolation and the young be inspired, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Song of Adoration: Hymn #439- "Christ Shall Have Dominion"

Prayer of Invocation - Rick Moore, Ruling Elder

Song of Praise: Red Book #53- "Ancient of Days"

Song of Thanksgiving: Hymn #649- "More Love to Thee, O Christ"

Confession of Faith – Responsive reading based on the Apostle's Creed

Minister: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Minister: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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

Minister: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**Congregation: 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.**

Scripture Reading: Luke 11:29-36

Confession of Sin

Minister: Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness, in your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.

**Congregation: Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

—based on Psalm 51:10-12

Assurance of Pardon

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

To all who turn from sin in sorrow, to all who turn to God in hope, this is God's Word of grace: We are accepted, we are forgiven, we are loved. This gift we have from God. Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession –Dennis Ferris, Ruling Elder

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Let us be faithful stewards of our time, our talents, and our money. so that our treasure is in heaven and our giving pleases God.

Song of Preparation: Hymn #108 "Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right"

Sermon: Guest pastor: Chaplin Brent England, "What is Real Repentance?"

Scripture: Jonah 3

Outline:

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to Communicants

Words of Institution

Distribution of the elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Closing Song: Hymn #733- "Doxology"

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