

Sierra View Presbyterian Church Liturgy  
Sunday, October 29, 2023  
Reformation Sunday

Welcome and Announcements: Rick Moore, Ruling Elder

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

Let us worship God, our light and our salvation. The Lord is the stronghold of our lives. We desire to live in God's house and to seek God in his holy temple. We have come with shouts of joy, to sing and to make music to the Lord. Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

Teach us your ways and make straight our paths in this hour of worship and always.

—based on Psalm 27; John 4:23

Song of Adoration: Hymn #92- "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Prayer of Invocation: Rev. Brandon Edmonds

Song of Praise: Red Book #37- "Agnus Dei"

Song of Thanksgiving: Hymn #528- "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Confession of Faith – "The Apostles' Creed"

Minister: Christian, 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.**

OT Scripture Reading: Zechariah 3

Confession of Sin

Minister: Let us confess our sin.

**Congregation: Often, O holy and righteous God, we dare your justice, mock your mercy, jeer your patience, slight your power, and show contempt for your love. We even say "I'm sorry" insincerely and confess our sin flippantly. We plead your help to own up carefully to how we have wronged you, to admit honestly how we have**

**grieved you, to plead penitently for your mercy and pardon. We beg your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**—based on a prayer by John Bunyan (1628-88)**

#### Assurance of Pardon

Hear now the promises of God to those who truly repent of their sin and trust in Christ:  
Take comfort in the assurance that even those things that are hidden from memory, or are too deep for our words, are not beyond God's forgiving love. God, who knows us completely, bestows pardon and peace. Thanks be to God.

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

#### The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Our offering is an act of worship in which we express our gratitude and reliance on God. For those of you who are guests with us today, giving is not obligatory. We are eager to share with you more about our church and its ministry and to invite you to participate with us as you are called by God.

#### Song of Preparation: Hymn #347- "The Church's One Foundation"

Sermon: Pastor: Rev. Brandon Edmonds, "Solus Christus: Our Great High Priest"

Scripture: Hebrews 2:5-18

Outline:

- I. Made Like U
- II. Perfected Through Suffering
- III. Unashamed to Call Us Brothers
- IV. Able to Save and to Help

#### The Lord's Supper

Invitation to Communicants

Words of Institution

Distribution of the elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

#### Closing Song: Hymn #384- "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" (vs.1-2)

#### 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