

Sierra View Presbyterian Church Liturgy
Sunday, October 8, 2023

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: Red Book #54- "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

Prayer of Invocation: Rev. Brandon Edmonds

Song of Praise: Red Book #43- "O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer"

Song of Thanksgiving: Hymn #334- "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

Confession of Faith – Westminster Larger Catechism, Q & A 73

Minister: How doth faith justify a sinner in the sight of God?

Congregation: Faith justifies a sinner in the sight of God, not because of those other graces which do always accompany it, or of good works that are the fruits of it; nor as if the grace of faith, or any act thereof, were imputed to him for justification; but only as it is an instrument by which he receiveth and applieth Christ and his righteousness.

Scripture Reading: Micah 6:1-8

Confession of Sin

Minister: Let us confess our sin.

Congregation: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

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

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

—based on Romans 5:1-2

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession – Dr. Harry Jameson, Deacon

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

God has shown us the meaning of generosity in the beautiful diversity of creation, in the overflowing love of Jesus Christ, in the never-ending gift of the Holy Spirit.

God has abundantly blessed us and called us to be a community that honors each other, to serve others with joy, to share our love and material possessions.

Let us rejoice in what we have been given and in what is ours to give.

Song of Preparation: Hymn #672- “Trust and Obey”

Sermon: Pastor: Rev. Brandon Edmonds, “For Good Works: The Fruit of Grace”

Scripture: Ephesians 2:8-10

Outline:

- I. The Work of God

- II. The Result of Salvation

- III. The Goal(s) of Good Works

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to Communicants

Words of Institution

Distribution of the elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Closing Song: Hymn # 730- “May the Grace of Christ, Our Savior”

Benediction

May the grace of Christ, which daily renews us, and the love of God, which enables us to love all, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, which unites us in one body, make us eager to obey the will of God until we meet again, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

—based on 2 Corinthians 13:13 [14]