

Sierra View Presbyterian Church Liturgy
Sunday, November 12, 2023

Welcome and Announcements

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship: (Psalm 68:32-35)

Pastor: O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing praises to the Lord.

**Congregation: to Him who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens;
behold, He sends out his voice, His mighty voice.**

Pastor: Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies.

**Congregation: Awesome is God from His sanctuary;
the God of Israel—He is the one who gives power and strength to His people.**

All: Blessed be God!

Song of Adoration: Red Book #49 - God Is For Us

Prayer of Invocation: Rev. Brandon Edmonds

Song of Praise: Hymn #599- Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Song of Thanksgiving: All Things New

Confession of Faith: Westminster Larger Catechism Q&A #62-63

Q. 62. What is the visible church?

A. The visible church is a society made up of all such as in all ages and places of the world do profess the true religion, and of their children.

Q. 63. What are the special privileges of the visible church?

A. The visible church hath the privilege of being under God's special care and government; of being protected and preserved in all ages, notwithstanding the opposition of all enemies; and of enjoying the communion of saints, the ordinary means of salvation, and offers of grace by Christ to all the members of it in the ministry of the gospel, testifying, that whosoever believes in him shall be saved, and excluding none that will come unto him.

Scripture Reading: Exodus 19:3-6

Confession of Sin

Pastor: Blessed Jesus,
you offered us all your blessings when you announced

Blessed are the poor in spirit

Congregation: but we have been rich in pride.

Pastor: Blessed are those who mourn

Congregation: but we have not known much sorrow for our sin.

Pastor: Blessed are the meek

Congregation: but we are a stiff-necked people.

Pastor: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness

Congregation: but we are filled to the full with other things.

Pastor: Blessed are the merciful

Congregation: but we are harsh and impatient.

Pastor: Blessed are the pure in heart

Congregation: but we have impure hearts.

Pastor: Blessed are the peacemakers

Congregation: but we have not sought reconciliation.

Pastor: Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness

Congregation: but our lives do not challenge the world.

Pastor: Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you
and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me

Congregation: but we have hardly made it known that we are yours.

Pastor: Your Law is holy and your benedictions are perfect,
but they are both too great for us.

You alone are blessed.

**All: We plead with you to forgive our sins
and give us the blessing of your righteousness.**

Assurance of Pardon (Romans 8:31-34)

31 What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? **32** He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? **33** Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. **34** Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession: Rev. Brandon Edmonds

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Song of Preparation: People of God

Sermon:

Built together in Christ: The Church as the Dwelling Place of God

Rev. Brandon Edmonds

Scripture: Ephesians 2:11-18

- I. Access to the Father
- II. Membership in the House of God
- III. The Holy Temple of the Lord

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to Communicants

Words of Institution

Distribution of the elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Closing Song: Red Book #48- Go Tell He Is Risen

Benediction (Romans 5:5-6)

⁵ May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ⁶ that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.