Sierra View Presbyterian Church Liturgy Sunday, September 22, 2024

Welcome and Announcements: Rick Moore

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship: Psalm 36:5-9

Pastor: Your love, Lord, reaches to the heavens, Congregation: Your faithfulness to the skies!

Pastor: Your righteousness is like the highest mountains,

your justice like the great deep.

Congregation: You, Lord, preserve both people and animals.

Pastor: How priceless is Your unfailing love, O God!

Congregation: People take refuge in the shadow of Your wings.

Pastor: They feast on the abundance of Your house;

Congregation: You give them drink from Your river of delights.

All: For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light we see light.

Song of Adoration: Hymn #44- How Great Thou Art

Prayer of Invocation

Song of Praise: Red Book #46- May the Peoples Praise You Song of Thanksgiving: Red Book #8- There Is a Redeemer

Profession of Faith: Westminster Shorter Catechism

89. How is the Word made effectual to salvation?

The Spirit of God makes the reading, and especially the preaching, of the Word, an effectual means of convincing and converting sinners, and of building them up in holiness and comfort through faith unto salvation.

90. How is the Word to be read and heard, that it may become effectual to salvation?

That the Word may become effectual to salvation, we must attend to it with diligence, preparation, and prayer; receive it with faith and love, lay it up in our hearts, and practice it in our lives.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 7:3-15

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, we are not worthy of Your presence, but we look now to the Lamb of God, who takes away our sin. Through him we draw near to You: listening to Your voice, trusting in Your love, delighting in Your word, and carried in Your arms. Cleanse our minds of all error and our hearts of all idols, that we may share the radiant light of Your Spirit and Your character with the world. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon John 4:13-14

Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession: Dennis Ferris

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Song of Preparation: Hymn #166- Wondrous King, All-Glorious

Sermon text: Luke 1:26-38 (ESV)

26 In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, 27 to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. 28 And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" 29 But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. 30 And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. 31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. 32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, 33 and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

34 And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?"

35 And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God.**36** And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. **37** For nothing will be impossible with God." **38** And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

Children's Message

Sermon: Gabriel Announces the King to Mary

Outline:

- I. The Superiority of Jesus
- II. The Uniqueness of Jesus
- III. The Kingdom of Jesus

The Lord's Supper Invitation to Communicants Words of Institution Distribution of the elements Prayer of Thanksgiving

Closing Song: Hymn #727- Lead Me, Lord

Benediction: Isaiah 60:1-3

Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord rises upon you.

See, darkness covers the earth
and thick darkness is over the peoples,
but the Lord rises upon you
and his glory appears over you.

Nations will come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.