

Sierra View Presbyterian Church Liturgy  
Sunday, March 9, 2025

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Brandon Edmonds

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship: Psalm 16:1-2,8-11

Pastor: Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

**Congregation: I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord;  
I have no good apart from you."**

Pastor: I have set the Lord always before me;  
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

**Congregation: Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;  
my body also dwells secure.**

Pastor: For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol  
or let your Holy One see corruption.

**Congregation: You make known to me the path of life;  
All: in your presence there is fullness of joy;  
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

Song of Adoration: Hymn #355- We Are God's People

Prayer of Invocation

Song of Praise: Red Book #42- Come, People of the Risen King

Song of Thanksgiving: Hymn #629- What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Profession of Faith: 1 Timothy 3:16

Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness:

He was manifested in the flesh,

vindicated by the Spirit,

seen by angels,

proclaimed among the nations,

believed on in the world,

taken up in glory.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 61

Confession of Sin

Father of Glory, Lord Jesus Christ, Holy Spirit,

You have bridged the gap from death to life, you reign from heaven, and your kingdom is growing. The prophets longed to see these days, and angels marvel at the grace you show to us.

But so often we are unimpressed. Instead of seeking you and rejoicing in your kingdom, we grow bored and follow our own path. We are distracted by earthly treasure and by worldly pleasure. Forgive us for our pride, our greed, and our coldness to you. Wash us clean, rekindle our joy, and fill us to overflowing with your Spirit. In Jesus name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 3:21-25

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession: Rev. Ed Veldhuizen

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Song of Preparation: Hymn #353- I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

Sermon text: Luke 4:16-30

**16** And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. **17** And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,

**18** “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to proclaim good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives  
and recovering of sight to the blind,  
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,

**19** to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.”

**20** And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. **21** And he began to say to them, “Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” **22** And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, “Is not this Joseph's son?”

**23** And he said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, “Physician, heal yourself.” What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well.” **24** And he said, “Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. **25** But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, **26** and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. **27** And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian.” **28** When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. **29** And they rose up and drove him out of the town and

brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff.**30** But passing through their midst, he went away.

#### Children's Message

Sermon: The Homecoming of the Lord's Anointed

#### Outline:

- I. The Messiah Revealed: Astonishment
- II. The Messiah Engages: Offence
- III. The Messiah Rejected: Rage
- IV. The Messiah on His Terms: Our Choice

Closing Song: Hymn #384- Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

Benediction: Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."