

Sierra View Presbyterian Church Liturgy
Sunday, May 25, 2025

Welcome and Announcements: Dennis Ferris

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship: Psalm 47

Leader: Clap your hands, all peoples!

Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

**Congregation: For the Lord, the Most High, is to be feared,
a great king over all the earth.**

Leader: He subdued peoples under us,
and nations under our feet.

**Congregation: He chose our heritage for us,
the pride of Jacob whom he loves.**

Leader: God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

**Congregation: Sing praises to God, sing praises!
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!**

Leader: For God is the King of all the earth;
sing praises with a psalm!

**Congregation: God reigns over the nations;
God sits on His holy throne.**

Leader: The princes of the peoples gather
as the people of the God of Abraham.

**Congregation: For the shields of the earth belong to God;
All: He is highly exalted!**

Song of Adoration: Hymn #125- Let All Things Now Living

Prayer of Invocation

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

Song of Thanksgiving: You Are My All in All

Profession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 3-4

Q. How do you come to know your misery?

A. The law of God tells me.

Q. What does God's law require of us?

A. Christ teaches us this in summary in Matthew 22:37-40:

“You shall love the Lord your God

with all your heart,
and with all your soul,
and with all your mind.’
This is the greatest and first commandment.
“And a second is like it:
‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’
“On these two commandments hang
all the law and the prophets.”

Old Testament Reading: Ecclesiastes 12

Confession of Sin : Psalm 32:1-7

Leader: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

**Congregation: Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

Leader: For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

**Congregation For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

Leader: I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not cover my iniquity;

**Congregation: I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,”
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Leader: Therefore let everyone who is godly
offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;

**Congregation: surely in the rush of great waters,
they shall not reach him.**

**All: You are a hiding place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

Assurance of Pardon: 1 John 4:9-10

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession: Rick Moore

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Song of Preparation: Hymn #481- Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Sermon text: Colossians 3:1-4

1 If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. 3 For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Sermon: Seek Those Things Which Are Above, Rev. Tim McCracken

Exhortation to Prepare for Next Week's Lord's Supper: 1 Corinthians 11:27-29

Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.

Closing Song: Red Book #51- The Bond of Love

Benediction: Psalm 5:11-12

But let all who take refuge in you be glad;

let them ever sing for joy.

Spread your protection over them,

that those who love your name may rejoice in you.

Surely, Lord, you bless the righteous;

you surround them with your favor as with a shield.