

Sierra View Presbyterian Church Liturgy
Sunday, May 3, 2026

Welcome and Announcements: Dennis Ferris

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship Psalm 36:5-10

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.

Pastor: For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light we see light.

**All: Continue your love to those who know you,
your righteousness to the upright in heart!**

Song of Adoration:

Prayer of Invocation

Song of Praise:

Song of Thanksgiving:

Confession of Sin

Most Merciful Father,

We come to you because you are good and you are loving. We come like Israel, stiff necked and resistant to your word. We come like the disciples who so often missed the point of your teaching and your mission. We come like the pharisees thinking ourselves to be far more righteous than we are. Grant us the ability to humbly seek you. Forgive us, and help us to come to you like a child. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

1 Corinthians 1:27-31

But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence

of God. And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, so that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession: Harry Jameson

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Song of Preparation:

Sermon text: Luke 9:44, 46-56

44 "Let these words sink into your ears: The Son of Man is about to be delivered into the hands of men."

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46 An argument arose among them as to which of them was the greatest. **47** But Jesus, knowing the reasoning of their hearts, took a child and put him by his side **48** and said to them, "Whoever receives this child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. For he who is least among you all is the one who is great."

49 John answered, "Master, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he does not follow with us." **50** But Jesus said to him, "Do not stop him, for the one who is not against you is for you."

51 When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. **52** And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. **53** But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. **54** And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" **55** But he turned and rebuked them. **56** And they went on to another village.

Children's Message

Sermon:

Humility and the Kingdom of God: Correction and Grace, Rev. Brandon Edmonds

Outline:

- I. The Least is the Greatest
- II. The One Not Against Me is For Me
- III. No Fire for Samaria

Song of Grace

Invitation to Table:

This is the table of the Lord.

Come, not because you are strong,
but because you are weak.

Come, not because any goodness of your own gives you a right to come,
but because you need mercy and help;

Come, because you love the Lord a little
and want to love him more.

Come, because the Lord loves you
and gave himself for you.

Let this bread and wine be for you the token and pledge
of the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
all meant for you if you receive them in humble faith.
O taste and see that God is good!

Prayer of Receiving

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer for Blessing

Closing Song:

Benediction: 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.