

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

"Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."

****Communion Hymn No. 202*** *'Amazing Grace'* (*verses 1-2, 4*)

Communion

****Doxology*** Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

****Dedication of Offering***

****Dismissing Hymn No. 514*** *'In My Heart There Rings A Melody'*

****Benediction***

Postlude *'There Shall Be Showers of Blessings'* ~ *McGranahan*

We're glad you joined us for worship today! We invite you to place your financial tithes and offerings in one of the boxes in the back of the sanctuary before or following service. Thank you for placing the Bibles, hymnals and attendance books back on the chairs. Thank you.

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INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5th

Join the Global Prayer Movement

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“Join us for a drink of Living Water”

November 5, 2023
International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church

We welcome you to the worship of God Almighty this Lord's Day. It is our intention to bring glory and honor to Him.
God enters our time of worship and we remember this time belongs to Him. Your Worship Commission

**Please stand, if you are able.
Nursery for children infant to 4 yrs. old is available upstairs in the Christian Education Wing (please see Usher for directions)*

Meditation
“He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain that which he cannot lose.” ~ Jim Elliot

Westminster Chimes and Announcements
(During announcements, we ask members and visitors to please sign the Friendship Register and pass it on. Send them back down your row so you can note who is worshipping with you today. We invite visitors to give us your complete address.)

Opening Prayer

Prelude ‘Trust and Obey’ ~ Towner

***Call to Worship** (based on Colossians 2:3; Revelation 5:12) Jud Herter, Lay Assistant

Leader: The Lord Jesus who calls us to worship him today is the same Jesus who refused the temptation to worship the evil one.

People: Rather than receive the glorious kingdoms of this world, he endured the shame of the cross, and today is Lord of lords and King of kings.

Leader: Now are gathered in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, glory, and power.

People: With the saints of all ages we say, “Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!”

***Opening Hymn No. 277** ‘The Church’s One Foundation’

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (In unison)

Oh Holy God, you have faithfully led your church across the centuries. We desire, as your people, to follow you today in the footsteps of those who have gone before us. Yet we have looked to voices other than yours for guidance. Lord, help us to seek you first and to embrace the spirit of Christian martyrdom, giving all that we are for your kingdom. Help us to live for you before anyone or anything else. Help us to follow the example of those who are persecuted for professing the name of Jesus Christ. Therefore, it is in the name of Jesus Christ that we pray, amen... (silent prayers of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Scripture Reading

John 1:1-5

Leader: The Word of the Lord ~

People: Thanks be to God ~

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Sermon

‘Light & Darkness’

Rev. Dr. Marc Shefelton