

THE LORD'S DAY

MORNING WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 15, 2024 • 11:00 AM

“How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.”

~ Psalm 36:7-9

▶ PRELUDE

▶ WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

▶ *CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 36:7-9



► *THE HYMN OF PRAISE *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* (Hymnal #32)

1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no
 2. Sum - mer and win - ter and spring-time and har - vest, sun, moon, and
 3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear

shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -
 stars in their cours - es a - bove, join with all na - ture in
 pres - ence to cheer and to guide, strength for to - day and bright

pas - sions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by



morn - ing new mer - cies I see: all I have need - ed thy hand hath pro -

vid - ed— Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

▶ *THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION

▶ *THE CONFESSION OF FAITH 1 John 1:1-4

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us— that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.



▶ *THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE..... *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (Stanza 3)*

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ, our Brother all who live in love are Thine. Teach us how to love each other; lift us to the joy divine!

▶ THE PASTORAL PRAYER..... Ruling Elder Chris Poyo

▶ THE LORD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

▶ *THE HYMN OF PREPARATION..... *The Secret Place*
(Children Kindergarten-1st Grades are dismissed to Children's Church during last stanza.)

1. Who dwells with - in His most se - cret place Is nev - er far from His bless - ed grace.
2. Fear not the ter - ror that comes at night Nor flam - ing ar - rows by morn - ing light.
3. A thou - sand fall now at ev - 'ry side; Ten thou - sand more may have yet to die.
4. Re - fuge and for - tress for all who trust. No saf - er pas - ture for men of dust.

'Neath His great shad - ow all will be well; No bet - ter place now for us to dwell.
His truth is al - ways our sword and shield; A - gainst His pow - er all foes must yield.
Yet plague and sword can ne'er kill the soul; His an - gels guard us now safe and whole.
'Neath wings and feath - ers of Ho - ly Lord; No great - er com - fort can He af - ford.



The se-cret place of God most high, The shad-ow of our might-y King,

The dwell-ing place where an-gels cry Is where our praise will for-ev-er ring.

- ▶ *THE SCRIPTURE READING..... Luke 18:31-43 (Pew Bible p. 878)
- ▶ THE SERMON Seeing The Unseeable, Rev. Joel Smit



▶ *THE HYMN OF THANKSGIVING *Be Thou My Vision* (Hymnal #642)

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all
 2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word; I ev - er
 3. Be thou my bat - tle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my
 4. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise, thou mine in -
 5. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won, may I reach

else to me, save that thou art— thou my best thought by
 with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Fa - ther,
 • dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light, thou my soul's shel - ter,
 her - i - tance, now and al - ways: thou and thou on - ly,
 heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what -

day or by night, wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 I thy true son; thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.
 • thou my high tow'r: raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 first in my heart, High King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 ev - er be - fall, still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.



▶ *THE BENEDICTION

▶ *CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE..... *Amazing Grace* (Stanza 3)

Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come; 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

▶ POSTLUDE

SERMON NOTES



THE LORD'S DAY

EVENING WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 15, 2024 • 5:30 PM

▶ PRELUDE

▶ WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

▶ CALL TO WORSHIP

▶ *HYMN OF PRAISE *I Love To Tell The Story* (Hymnal #478)

▶ PRAYER OF INVOCATION

▶ *VERSE OF THE MONTH..... 2 Peter 1:3-4

“His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.”



▶ THE EVENING PRAYER

▶ *THE SCRIPTURE READING..... Psalm 34:8

▶ THE SERMON Testimony Of A Fool, Rev. Joel Smit

▶ THE PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

▶ *THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN..... Based On Psalm 51

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy, blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sins. For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Against you, you alone, have we sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. Indeed, we were born guilty, sinners when our mothers conceived us. Hide your face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and put new and right spirits within us. Do not cast us away from your presence, and do not take your Holy Spirit from us, we pray through Him Who loved us and gave Himself for us, even our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

▶ THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON Psalm 34:17-19

“When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit. Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all.”



► *THE HYMN OF PREPARATION..... *In Christ Alone* (Stanzas 1-3)

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my
 2. In Christ a - lone who took on flesh; Full-ness of God in help - less
 3. There in the ground His bod - y lay; Light of the world by dark - ness
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death; This is the power of Christ in

song; This Corn - er - stone, this sol - id ground, Firm through the
 babe. This gift of love and right - eous - ness Scorned by the
 slain. Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day, Up from the
 me. From life's first cry to fi - nal breath Je - sus com -

fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of
 ones He came to save; 'Til on that cross as Je - sus
 grave He rose a - gain! And as He stands in vic - to -
 mands my des - ti - ny. No power of hell, no scheme of



peace When fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease; My Com - fort -
 died The wrath of God was sat - is - fied; For ev - ery
 ry Sin's curse has lost its grip on me; For I am
 man Can ev - er pluck me from His hand; 'Til He re -

er, my All in All; Here in the love of Christ I stand.
 sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
 His and He is mine, Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ!
 turns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

- ▶ ***Sunday School** | 9:45 AM | in the Fellowship Hall
- ▶ ***Sunday Morning Worship** | 11:00 AM | in the Sanctuary
- ▶ ***Sunday Evening Worship** | 5:30 PM | in the Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

- ▶ Wednesday Night Fellowship | 5:30 PM | sign up here **by Tuesday** prior for dinner headcount smyrnapres.org/wednesdays
- ▶ Adult Choir Rehearsal | 6:30 PM | in Sanctuary
- ▶ Youth Group & King's Kids | 6:30 - 7:30 PM | in CE wing
- ▶ *Devotion & Prayer | 6:45 - 7:30 PM | in Fellowship Hall & Zoom

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

- ▶ **Quarter-Lifers Bible Study** | 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM | weekly study led by Kevin Ammerman in the SPC Library

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

- ▶ **Mommy & Me Play Group** | 2:00 - 4:00 PM | contact Hawwah Morton to join, hawwahmorton@gmail.com

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

- ▶ **Prayer Shawl Ministry** | 10:00 AM | SPC library

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

- ▶ **Men's Fellowship** | 6:30 PM | home of Danny Powell, scan News & Events QR code for more info

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

- ▶ Women's Monthly Bible Study Circle | 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM | in SPC Library, use QR Code, above, to get more info

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

- ▶ Women's Monthly Bible Study Circle | 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM | in SPC Library, use QR Code, above, to get more info

* Nursery is available for ages 3 and under

