

THE LORD'S DAY

MORNING WORSHIP

MARCH 16, 2025 • 11:00 AM

“The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

And Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them. And blessed is the one who is not offended by me.”

~ Matthew 6:22-23 & 11:4-6


► PRELUDE

► WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

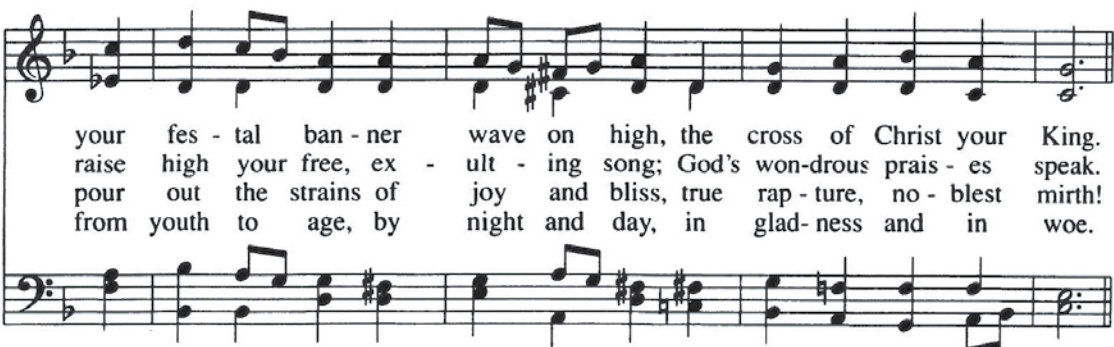
► *CALL TO WORSHIP Matthew 6:22-23 & 11:4-6



► *THE HYMN OF PRAISE*Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart* (Hymnal #604)



1. Re - joice, ye pure in heart, re - joice, give thanks, and sing;
 2. Bright youth and snow-crowned age, strong men and maid - ens meek,
 3. With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints on earth,
 4. Yes, on through life's long path, still chant - ing as ye go,



your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.
 raise high your free, ex - ult - ing song; God's won-drous prais - es speak.
 pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth!
 from youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe.

REFRAIN



Re - joice, re - joice, re - joice, give thanks, and sing.
 Re - joice, re - joice,

5. At last the march shall end,
 the wearied ones shall rest;
 the pilgrims find their Father's house,
 Jerusalem the blest.

6. Then on, ye pure in heart,
 rejoice, give thanks, and sing;
 your glorious banner wave on high,
 the cross of Christ your King.



► *THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION

► *THE CONFESSION OF FAITH Westminster Larger Catechism #43

Q. How does Christ execute the office of a prophet?

A. Christ executes the office of a prophet, in his revealing to the church, in all ages, by his Spirit and Word, in diverse ways of administration, the whole will of God, in all things concerning their edification and salvation.

► *THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE..... *Jesus What A Friend For Sinners* (Stanza 3)

Jesus! What a help in sorrow! While the billows o'er me roll; Even when my heart is breaking, He my comfort, helps my soul. Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah what a Friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.

► THE PASTORAL PRAYER..... Elder Jordan Lee

► THE LORD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS



► *THE HYMN OF PREPARATION *Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery*
 (Children Kindergarten-1st Grades are dismissed to Children's Church during last stanza.)



1. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, In the dawn - ing of the King;
 2. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, He the per - fect Son of Man;
 3. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, Christ the Lord up - on the tree,
 4. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, Slain by death the God of life;

He the theme of heav-en's prais - es, Robed in frail hu - man - i - ty.
 In His liv - ing, in His suf - f'ring Nev - er trace nor stain of sin.
 In the stead of ru - ined sin - ners, Hangs the Lamb in vic - to - ry.
 But no grave could e'er re - strain Him, Praise the Lord, He is a - live!

In our long - ing, in our dark - ness, Now the light of life has come;
 See the true and bet - ter Ad - am, Come to save the hell-bound man;
 See the price of our re - demp - tion, See the Fa - ther's plan un - fold;
 What a fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance, How un - wa - ver - ing our hope;

Look to Christ, who con - de - scend - ed, Took on flesh to ran - som us.
 Christ, the great and sure ful - fill - ment Of the law, in Him we stand.
 Bring - ing man - y sons to glo - ry, Grace un - meas - ured, love un - told.
 Christ in pow - er res - ur - rect - ed, As we will be, when He comes.



► *THE SCRIPTURE READING..... Luke 22:63-71 (Pew Bible p. 883)

► THE SERMON Blinded Justice, Rev. Joel Smit

► *THE HYMN OF THANKSGIVING *My Savior's Love*



1. I stand a-mazed in the pres - ence Of Je - sus, the Naz - a - rene,
2. For me it was in the gar - den He prayed, "Not My will, but Thine,"
3. In pit - y an - gels be - held Him, And came from the world of light
4. He took my sins and my sor - rows, He made them His ver - y own;
5. When with the ran-somed in glo - ry His face I at last shall see,

And won - der how He could love me, A sin - ner, con - demned, un - clean.
He had no tears for His own griefs, But sweat-drops of blood for mine.
To com - fort Him in the sor - rows He bore for my soul that night.
He bore the bur - den to Cal - v'ry, And suf - fered and died a - lone.
'Twill be my joy thru the a - ges To sing of His love for me.

How mar - vel - ous! How won - der - ful! And my song shall ev - er be:

How mar - vel - ous! How won - der - ful Is my Sav - ior's love for me!



▶ *THE BENEDICTION

▶ *CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *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.

▶ POSTLUDE



SERMON NOTES



THE LORD'S DAY

EVENING WORSHIP

MARCH 16, 2025 • 5:30 PM

► PRELUDE

► WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

► CALL TO WORSHIP

► *HYMN OF PRAISE *Only Trust Him* (Hymnal #675)

► PRAYER OF INVOCATION

► *VERSE OF THE MONTH..... Titus 3:4-6

“But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior.”



► THE EVENING PRAYER

► *THE SCRIPTURE READING..... 2 Samuel 3:1-30

► THE SERMON Man's Work In Man's Way, Rev Joel Smit

► THE PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

► *THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty and merciful God, You are holy and just, full of steadfast love and righteousness. Yet we, like Abner and David, have often pursued our own ambitions, seeking power and security rather than trusting in Your perfect will. We confess that we have been slow to seek peace, quick to hold grudges, and eager to justify our actions, even when they are stained with pride and self-interest. We have, at times, betrayed others for our own gain, just as Joab sought vengeance rather than justice. We have acted in anger rather than in faith, taking matters into our own hands instead of trusting in Your divine plan. Lord, forgive us for our sins— for the ways we have failed to honor You, for the times we have put our desires above Your commands, and for our reluctance to truly repent and seek reconciliation. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew right spirits within us, that we may walk in humility, seek peace, and trust in Your sovereign rule. Through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Redeemer, we pray. Amen.

► THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON Psalm 103:8-12

*The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.
He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.*



► *THE HYMN OF PREPARATION..... *Jesus Thank You* (Stanzas 1&2)



1. The mys - t'ry of the cross I can - not com - pre - hend,
2. By Your per - fect sac - ri - fice I've been brought near,



the ag - o - nies of Cal - va - ry.
Your en - e - my You've made Your friend.



You the per - fect Ho - ly One crushed Your Son Who
Pour - ing out the rich - es of Your glo - r'ous grace, Your



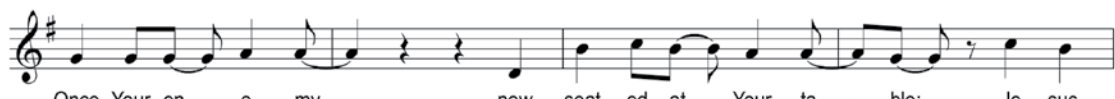
drank the bit - ter cup re - served for me. Your
mer - cy and Your kind - ness know no end.



blood has washed a - way my sin; Je - sus, thank You. The



Fa - ther's wrath com plete - ly sat - is - fied; Je - sus, thank You.



Once Your en - e - my now seat - ed at Your ta - ble; Je - sus,



thank You.



BRIDGE

Lov - er of my soul, I want to live for You.



- ▶ FENCING THE TABLE
- ▶ WORDS OF INSTITUTION
- ▶ PRAYER OF CONSECRATION
- ▶ DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS
- ▶ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
- ▶ *THE HYMN OF THANKSGIVING *Jesus Thank You* (Chorus)
- ▶ THE BENEDICTION
- ▶ POSTLUDE





SMYRNA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

Events
Calendar



KNOW
And Worship
The Triune God



GROW
In the Covenant
Family of God
as Reformed
Disciples



SHOW
Forth the Love of
Christ as Servants
& Witnesses

SUNDAY, MARCH 16

- ▶ ***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

SUNDAY, MARCH 16 - 30

- ▶ **Care Pack Collection** | Narthex | we're collecting personal care items for Mableton Elementary School families, use QR Code to sign up to bring items

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19

- ▶ **Wednesday Night Fellowship** | 5:30 PM | Fellowship Hall | sign up by **March 18**, for headcount, by scanning QR code above
- ▶ **Adult Choir Rehearsal** | 6:30 PM | in Choir Room
- ▶ **Youth Group & King's Kids** | 6:30 - 7:30 PM | in CE Wing
- ▶ ***Devotion & Prayer** | 6:45 - 7:30 PM | in Fellowship Hall & Zoom

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

- ▶ **Church Workday** | 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM | coffee & biscuits served

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

- ▶ **Care Pack Luncheon & Assemble** | Fellowship Hall | join us after Sunday morning worship for lunch and to assemble care boxes, please use QR Code to register

MONDAY, APRIL 21

- ▶ **Quarter-Lifers Braves Game Fellowship Event** | 7:15 PM | at Truist Park, please use QR code to register, deadline March 30

* Nursery is available for ages 3 and under

