



ORDER OF WORSHIP | March 24, 2024

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SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

Your Glory

CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 103:1-5 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Psalm 103:8-12 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

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.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

At The Foot Of The Cross

PRAISE & CELEBRATION

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

Man Of Sorrows

Shelter

CONFESSION OF FAITH

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

From the Westminster Shorter Catechism:

- O. 21. Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?
- A. The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever
- Q. 22. How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?
- A. Christ, the Son of God, became man, by taking to himself a true body, and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - 5th Graders)

Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

GREETING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | Tim Rice, Lead Pastor and Director of Church Planting

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

Abide

BENEDICTION

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace, both now and forevermore. Amen.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: Luke 23:26-27, 32-49 (ESV)
Title: The Crucifixion of Jesus

Teacher: Tim Rice

26 And as they led him away, they seized one Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry it behind Jesus. 27 And there followed him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. ... 32 Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. 33 And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. 34 And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. 35 And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" 36 The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine 37 and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" 38 There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." 39 One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" 40 But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? 41 And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." 42 And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." 43 And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise." 44 It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, 45 while the sun's light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. 46 Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last. 47 Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, saying, "Certainly this man was innocent!" 48 And all the crowds that had assembled for this spectacle, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts. 49 And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance watching these things.

INTRO: How well do you understand a crucifixion?

THE ACT OF CRUCIFIXION

What actually happens in a crucifixion, and in Jesus' crucifixion in particular?

THE HORROR & THE MEANING What did Jesus suffer, and why is that significant?

THE UNIMAGINABLE IMPACT

What is significant about David's response, both what he did and where he did it?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

- 1. Worship the LORD for His long-suffering patience and kindness, even when we are, by nature, objects of wrath. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit for His righteousness AND mercy.
- 2. How have you lived, minimizing how badly your sin offends your Maker while insisting that those who offend you should pay for their wrongs? Confess your pride and inconsistency to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and change your heart.
- 3. Give thanks to Jesus for joyfully following His Father's mission of forgiveness. Thank Him for giving Himself in our place to remove the wrath we deserve and for opening us access to His Father now in redemption.
- 4. Who do you know that underestimates the impact of their selfishness and pride? Pray for them, asking the Lord to help them to see their own wrath-deserving record and that Jesus came to show mercy even to people like them.
- 5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you the fruit of love, peace and kindness. Read Psalm 103:8-12. Rejoice in what the LORD has removed from you, so that you can put away wrath, to live instead with a free and loving heart.

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Student Ministry Fundraiser & Info Luncheon

April 7, 12p

Contact <u>Brown Peterson</u> for information.



The Weekender - New Member Class

April 12, 6-8:30p & April 13, 9a-12p Contact Ashley Coleman for information.



Women's Ministry Table Talk

April 18, 7p

Contact <u>JoAnn Johnson</u> for information.

Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

March 25-30, 2024

(3-year plan: read blue passages | 1-year plan: read all)

Monday	Romans 9 2 Kings 8	Exodus 11 Isaiah 53
Tuesday	Romans 10 2 Kings 9	Exodus 12 Isaiah 54
Wednesday	Romans 11 2 Kings 10	Exodus 13 Isaiah 55
Thursday	Romans 12 2 Kings 11	Exodus 14 Isaiah 56
Friday	Romans 13 2 Kings 12	Exodus 15 Isaiah 57
Saturday	Psalm 65	Psalm 13 Psalm 117

Scripture Memory for the Week:

Luke 23:46-47 (ESV)

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