

DIVINE WORSHIP

The prelude is a sacred curtain dropped between the world and the sanctuary. During this time, be prayerful and reverent in preparation for the worship of our holy God in His sanctuary. (Please silence all phones and electronic devices.)

PRELUDE

O Worship the King

STRIKING OF THE HOUR

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Minister)

Based on Deuteronomy 4:29

Minister: *The Father declares, "If you seek the Lord your God, you will find him—if you search after him with all your heart and with all your soul." Children of God, seek here the Lord with all your heart; worship him with all your soul.*

*SONG OF ASCENT (Unison)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
Trinity Hymnal, 92

SCRIPTURE READING

Ruling Elder

Leviticus 19:9-18
Galatians 5:13-15

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE (Unison)

Trust and Obey
Trinity Hymnal, 672 vs. 1, 4, 5

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

Ruling Elder

GLORIA PATRI (Unison)

*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. Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN (Unison)

Psalm 79:9-10a

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name's sake! Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Unison)

1 Peter 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

*HYMN OF REJOICING (Unison)

The Apostles' Creed

1. I be-lieve in God the Fa-ther, Ma-ker of the heav'n and earth, and in
2. Suf-fered un-der Pon-tius Pi-late, cru-ci-fied, en-dur-ing hell, laid with-
3. At God's right hand he is seat-ed, 'til his com-ing, as he said; fin-al
4. I be-lieve the church of Je-sus ho-ly, cath-o-lic re-mains; we are
Je-sus Christ, our Sav-ior, God's own Son, of match-less worth; by the
in the grave so si-lent, as the proph-ets did fore-tell. But the
judg-ment will be met-ed to the liv-ing and the dead. I con-
one thro' all the ag-es, the com-mun-ion of the saints. I be-
Ho-ly Ghost con-ceiv-ed, vir-gin Mar-y bore God's Son, he in
stone-sealed tomb was emp-tied on the third day; he a-rose: in-to
fess the Ho-ly Spir-it has been sent thro' Christ the Son to ap-
lieve sins are for-giv-en, that our bod-ies will be raised, life with
whom I have be-liev-ed: God Al-might-y, Three in One.
heav-en made his en-try, Might-y Con-queror of his foes.
ply sal-va-tion's mer-it; God the Spir-it, Three in One.
God is nev-er end-ed. A-men, let his name be praised.

PASTORAL PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

*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;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.
Amen*

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY (Unison)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Deacon

SERMON

The Debt We Owe
Romans 13:7-10 (Pew Bible, 948)

Dr. John Clayton

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts* vs. 1, 2, 3, 5

1. Je-sus, thou joy changed of lov-ing hearts, thou
2. Thy truth un-less O thou its er ev-er-ing stood; and
3. We rest-less spir-its er liv-ing bread; thee, 4. Our
5. O Je-sus ev-er yearn with us for stay, where
fount of life, thou light of men, sav-est to our feast change mo-ments on lot calm and thee call;
long-er all our change mo-ments on lot calm and thee still;
e'er all our change mo-ments on lot calm and is cast;
all our change mo-ments on lot calm and and bright;
from to we glad chase the them drink when the best that of thy dark bliss seek thee, gra-night that thee the-cious of earth thou foun-smile sin im-artain-we a-parts good, head, we to and blest shed
turn them thirst when o'er un-that our our the filled find souls faith to thee from can thy thee all thee hold ho-a gain. all. in fill. fast. light.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*HYMN OF RESPONSE (Unison)

Benediction
Trinity Hymnal, 730

*PASTORAL BENEDICTION (Minister)

Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

Congregation: Thanks be to God! Amen.

POSTLUDE

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Sermon Notes

The Debt We Owe

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I. Introduction

II. Pay with Love

III. The Law of Love

IV. Love Does No Wrong

Covenant Presbyterian Church of Fort Smith

Welcome & Announcements

Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian Church of Fort Smith! We are thankful that you have come to worship the true and living God with us. Our worship service, in essence, is a covenant renewal ceremony in which the covenant community gathers to hear the covenant promises, which have been secured for us by Christ, and respond in faith. The congregation is not a passive but an active participant in the worship service.

If you are visiting with us this morning, please complete a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate during the offertory so that we may have a record of your visit.

Restrooms: Restrooms are available at the East-end on the sanctuary level or downstairs at the East-end of the hallway. Please use the restrooms downstairs during the worship service.

Children & Restrooms: Parents, please accompany your children to the restroom during the worship service.

Seating: Please be courteous by moving toward the front of the sanctuary providing room in the back for those arriving late.

Paraments: Liturgical colors have an instructional purpose and point us to the life of Christ and the great acts of redemptive history. White paraments adorn the pulpit and communion table during the celebration of Christmas, Easter, and other days to represent the purity of Christ and the joy and peace believers find in Him.

Lord's Supper: We will be observing the Lord's Supper this morning. We ask that you begin now examining yourself and preparing your heart to celebrate the sacrament. If you are not a member of Covenant, you are welcome to celebrate the sacrament with us if you have made a credible profession of faith in Christ, have been baptized, and are in good standing with a like-kind Protestant church.

Benevolence Giving: We take up a separate offering for benevolence on the Lord's Supper Sunday (first Sunday of each month). Please designate benevolence gifts on your giving envelope and place it in the benevolence box at the back of the sanctuary.

Adult Sunday School Series: Please join us in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday for breakfast at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. for our series, *Proverbs: Words of Wisdom*, a topical study of select proverbs.

July Fellowship Luncheon: Our next Covenant Family Meal will be Sunday, July 17th in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the worship service. Our luncheon theme is an "Old Fashioned Church Summer Picnic," featuring fried chicken, biscuits, watermelon and drinks. Please bring a salad, side, or dessert.

Weekly Giving Summary

General fund giving – June 26th: \$3,875

Designated giving: \$0

Total giving: \$3,875

General fund giving (YTD): \$260,187

Designated giving (YTD): \$2,544

Total giving (YTD): \$262,731

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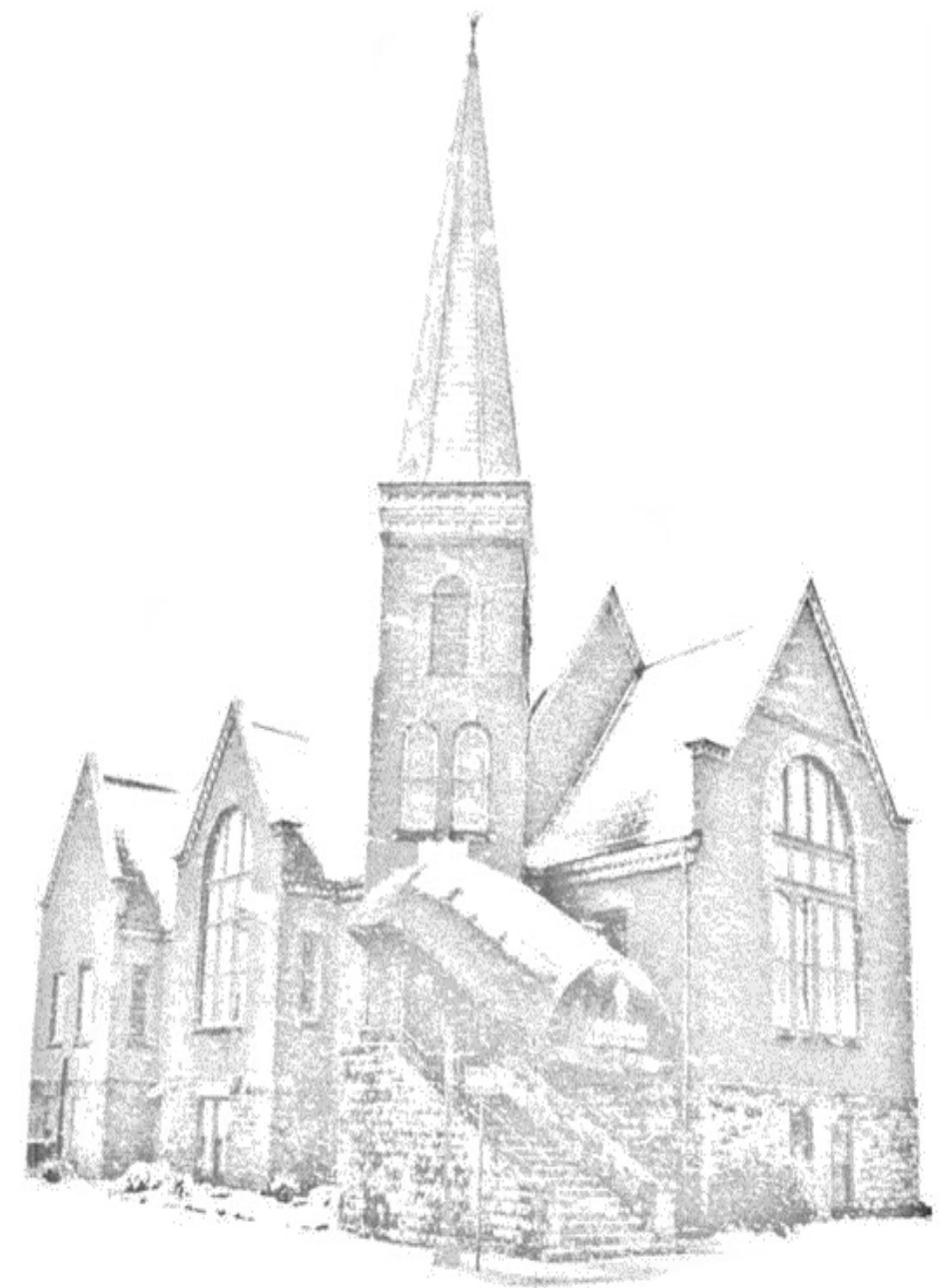
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Lord's Day, July 3, 2022

10:30 A.M.

"It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name,
O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning,
and your faithfulness by night" (Psalm 92:1,2)

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