Order of Worship

**January 21, 2024**

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who are sad and long for comfort;*

*to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior;*

*to all who are strangers and want friendship; to all who hunger and thirst for something real and lasting; and to all who come here, this church opens wide her doors*

*and offers welcome to you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

**Prelude** (*Please silence cell phones at this time*)

**Welcoming Song:** *“Because He Lives”*

**Welcome Guests and Greeting**\*

**Call to Worship:** *Elder Roy Palk, Liturgist*

Leader: We gather today to worship the One who created us,

**People: The One who calls us,**

Leader: The One who equips us,

**People: The One who loves us without end.**

**ALL: With joyful hearts, let us worship God.**

**Profession of Faith:** ***Pastor Dustin***

**ALL: Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.**

**Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name. So that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,**

**to the glory of God the Father.** *(Philippians 2.5-11)*

**Public Prayer of Confession: *Pastor Dustin***

 **ALL: Most holy and merciful Father,**

 **we acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature—**

 **prone to evil and lazy in doing good—**

 **and all our shortcomings and offenses against You.**

 **You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways,**

 **in wasting Your gifts,**

 **in forgetting Your love. O Lord, have mercy on us,**

 **who are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You.**

 **Teach us to hate our errors,**

 **cleanse us from our secret faults,**

 **and forgive our sins for the sake of Your dear Son.**

 **And O most holy and loving Father,**

 **send Your purifying grace into our hearts, we ask You,**

**that we may always live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Lord, hear our prayers.**

**Private and Silent Confession**

**Choir: “Rain Down”**

**Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel** *Bill Sandhoff, Liturgist*

Liturgist:

*This God—His way is perfect; the word of the LORD proves true; He is a shield for all those who take refuge in Him. (Psalm 18.30)*

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**Congregational Singing: #353 “Victory in Jesus”**

**Teaching Moment:**  *“How Good is Good Enough?”*

*Pastor Dustin*

*“Sermon on the Mount” Series*

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

**Offering and Offertory**

*(You are welcome to place your offering at the plates at this time,*

 *or one of the plates as you leave Worship, which*

*are located near the exits. You may also give online. God bless you!)*

**Offering Song** *“As the Deer” arr. Ken Gallo*

**Doxology**

**Offertory Prayer to Thank God and Bless the Givers**

**Worship Through Music:** *“Great Thou Art”*

**Prayer for the World and those in Need.**

**\*\*\*Announcements**

 *- January Birthdays*

*-Generosity/Giving*

 *-Fellowship Time \*\*\*Welcome and Invite* ***GUESTS*** *to breakfast\*\*\**

 *-Opportunities to Serve this church: Sound booth, projector and screen, children ministry*

 *-\*\*\*Point out the members of consistory: these are the spiritual leaders of the church. if you need anything please grab them today.*

***-\*\*\*Go to back to shake hands!***

**Benediction**