Order of Worship

**MARCH 10, 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:**  *“Standing on the Promises”*

**Welcome Guests and Greeting**\*

**Opening Prayer: *Pastor Dustin***

**ALL: O Lord, our God,**

**you are always more ready to give your good gifts to us than we are to seek them,**

**and you are willing to give more than we desire or deserve.**

**Help us so to seek that we may truly find,**

**so to ask that we may joyfully receive,**

**so to knock that the door of your mercy may be opened to us through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

**Call to Worship:**  *(based on Psalm 91:2; Romans 10:9, 13)* ***Bill Sandhoff, Liturgist***

Leader: Let us worship God.

**People: “He is our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust.”**

Leader: Let us confess with our mouths, “Jesus is Lord,”

and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead.

**People: “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”**

Leader: Let us call upon our true God, believing him in our hearts,

confessing him with our mouths, worshiping him in spirit and in truth.

**Public Prayer of Confession:**  *(Isaiah 30:15, 18, NIV )* ***Pastor Dustin***

 **ALL:** God of everlasting love, we confess that we have been unfaithful

 to our covenant with you and with one another.

 We have worshiped other gods: money, power, greed, and convenience.

 We have served our own self-interest instead of serving only you and your people.

 We have not loved our neighbor as you have commanded,

 nor have we rightly loved ourselves.

 Forgive us, gracious God, and bring us back into the fullness

 of our covenant with you and one another.

 Through Christ, our Lord. …Lord, hear our prayers.

**Private and Silent Confession**

**Choir: Hallelujah, By and By”**

**Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel *Elder Roy Palk, Liturgist***

 Liturgist: (*Isaiah 53:4-6, NRSV)*

 *Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases;*

 *yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted.*

 *But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities;*

 *upon him was the punishment that made us whole,*

 *and by his bruises we are healed.*

 *All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way,*

 *and the LORD has laid on him*

 *the iniquity of us all.*

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

**Congregational Singing: #389** *“Spirit of the Living God”*

**Teaching Moment:**  *“On Being Born Again”*

*Pastor Dustin*

**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** *#743”Wonderful Peace” arr. Ken Gallo*

**Doxology**

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

**Worship Through Music *#586 “He’s Got the Whole World In His Hands”***

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

**\*\*\*Announcements**

 *-Generosity/Giving*

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

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

 *-NEW MEMBERS CLASS TODAY*

 *-\*\*\*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**