Order of Worship

**September 15, 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 Songs:**  “Here I Am To Worship”

 “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

**Welcome Guests and Greeting**\*

**Call to Worship:** (Psalm 103) *Elder Roy Palk, Liturgist*

Reader: Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

**People: Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his blessings.**

Reader: Praise the LORD, you his angels,

you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word.

**People: Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will.**

Reader: Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his creation.

**People: Praise the LORD, O my soul.**

**Opening Prayer for Worship: *Pastor Dustin***

ALL: Almighty God, we pray for your blessing on the church in this place.

Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened.

Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged.

Here may the tempted find help, and the sad and lonely find comfort.

Here may the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed.

Here may the aged find consolation and the young be inspired;

And above all else, here may you be glorified forever and ever.

through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**Unison Prayer of Confession:**—Psalm 130, NRSV ***Pastor Dustin***

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

**People**: **Lord, hear my voice!**

Leader: Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my prayers! If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

**People**: **But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be feared.**

Leader: I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

**People**: **O People of God, let us truly hope in the LORD!**

Leader: For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem God’s people from all its iniquities.

*(A Time for Private, Silent Prayer)*

**Assurance of the Pardon of the Lord Jesus Christ:**  *Marilyn List, Liturgist*

Reader: May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep you in eternal life.

**People: Thank you Lord! Amen!**

**Congregational Singing: *“Blessed Assurance”***

**Teaching Moment:** *“When Can I Crush My Enemy?!”*

*Matthew 5:43ff*

*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**

*(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!)*

**Offertory**

**Doxology**

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

**Worship Through Music: *“Because He Lives”***

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

**\*\*\*Announcements**

 *-Generosity/Giving*

 *-Fellowship Time*

 *-Need for readers!!!*

 *\*\*\*Welcome and Invite* ***GUESTS*** *to breakfast\*\*\**

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

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

**Benediction**