

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

APRIL 13, 2025

PREPARATION, PROMISES AND PRAISE

Almighty and ever-living God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

Gathering Music "Jesus is Coming" FirstKids

Prelude "The Holy City" Adam

Call to Worship Rev. Don Hardman

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;

People: Break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody!

People: With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord!

-Psalm 98:4-6 ESV

*Hymn "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" No. 235

*Prayer of Adoration

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Loving and eternal God, Your Son Jesus came as King to rescue and redeem us. By grace through faith You adopt us into Your family. Yet too often we make light of Your invitation to us. The urgent and temporary crowd out what You consider truly important and eternal. Forgive our stubbornness, our disobedience, and our pride. Renew us so we may love You as you love us. May we hear Your call and respond with joy to the glory and honor of Your holy name. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear the good news. God has come into our world to redeem those who believe. To rescue us from the dominion of darkness and sin. For all those who are in Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri No. 735

(Let the children come forward during the singing of the Gloria.)

Children's Time Rev. Don Hardman

*Hymn "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" No. 196

(The congregation may come forward to place their 2¢-A-Meal offering in the container at the front of the Sanctuary)

Prayers of the People of God and Our Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your 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.

Anthem "Hosanna to the Son of David" by David Halls

Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes

Offertory "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" arr. Busarow

*Doxology No. 731

*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture: Philippians 3:10-11 Matthew 27:11-50 Page 733

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon "Becoming Like Jesus in His Death" Rev. Don Hardman

*Affirmation of Faith "The Apostles' Creed" Page 845

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

Hymn "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!" No. 237

*Benediction No. 739

Postlude "Lift Up Your Heads, You Mighty Gates" arr. Held

*The Congregation is asked to stand, as you are able.

CALENDAR

Today, 4/13 Sunday School, 9:00 am; Worship, 10:30 am; Mission Team Mtg., 11:45 am; Session Mtg., 5:00 pm

Monday, 4/14 Church office closed on Mondays

Tuesday, 4/15 Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS), 10:00 am; Men's ZOOM Bible Study, 12:00 pm; Adult Bible Study (ABS), 5:15 pm; Chancel Choir, 6:30 pm

Wednesday, 4/16 FirstKids & Youth Group, 6:00 pm; Carillonners, 7:00 pm

Thursday, 4/17 Maundy Thursday Service, 7:00 pm

Friday, 4/18 Chapel Open noon to 3 pm for prayer; Good Friday Service, 7:00 pm

REMINDERS

Elders: Doug McLaughlin

Sound System: Kaye Wilkerson, Scott Rice, Rea Brown

Greeters Ramp Room (8:50-9:00 & 10:00-10:30): Apr. 13 - David & Kathy Akers; Apr. 20 - Teal Bennett; Apr. 27 - Nancy Gillespie

Greeters Narthex (10:00-10:30): Apr. 13 - Sandy McCullar; Apr. 20 - Jeff & Pat Povtak. Apr. 27 - Martha Minter

Deacon on Duty: Apr. 13 - Bob Caudle, Apr. 20 - Tammy Caldwell; Apr. 27 - Marlene Flynn

PRAYER FOCUS FOR THE WEEK: - Pray when tempted. Matthew 26:41

PCC Food Needs - Beef Stew

Hearing devices are located in the Narthex to assist in listening to today's service

Pastor: Rev. Don Hardman
 Director of Music: Rev. Keith Olivier
 Director of Christian Education: Mr. Pete G. Guillard
 Organist: Mr. William Turner
 Handbell Director: Dr. Erma Rose