

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Lord's Day, February 2, 2020

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn 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 fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst for righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

**Prelude**

Kendi Fiscus

**Welcome and Announcements**    (*Register Attendance/Connect Cards*)

**Meditation**

*I Thessalonians 1:3*

*"We continually remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ."*

## APPROACHING GOD IN WORSHIP

**Greeting:** Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Call to Worship:**

*Hebrews 13:15; Psalm 69:30, 109:30*

**Pastor:** Come, let us through Him continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge His name.

**People:** Let us praise the name of God together with a song. Let us magnify Him together with thanksgiving. With our mouths let us give great thanks to the LORD.

**Hymn of Adoration**

*King Forevermore*

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**Prayer of Adoration**

**Gloria Patri**

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*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.*

## APPROACHING GOD IN CONFESSION AND SERVICE

### Call to Confession:

*John 15:4-9*

“Remain in Me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in Me. I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in Me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from Me you can do nothing. If anyone does not remain in Me, he is like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. If you remain in Me and My words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you. This is to My Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be My disciples. As the Father has loved Me, so have I loved you. Now remain in My love.”

### Prayer of Confession in Unison:

**Father, we see in this passage that we can bear much fruit in service to You. In order to bear fruit, we must remain in You. This requires us to seek to obey You in all areas of our lives and to spend time with You in prayer and in Your Word.**

**Forgive us for being a wayward people. So often, we don’t even look for Your involvement or will in our lives. Much of the ministry we do in Your name is really for our own validation and credit. Help us to go forward in life and ministry by Your power and grace. May we bring glory to You as we bear fruit in service to our Savior.**

We ask it in the name of our Lord Jesus. Amen

### Now hear the Lord’s Assurance of Pardon

“The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences for acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!”

*Hebrews 9:13-14*

### Offertory Prayer

### Giving of Tithes and Offerings

### Offertory

### Doxology

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### Hymn

*By Faith*

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### Pastoral Prayer

## RECEIVING THE WORD OF GOD

### The Scripture Reading:

*Exodus 3:16-22*

*Mark 6:6b-32*

Pastor: Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and observe it.

People: **Open our eyes, that we may see wonderful things from Thy Word.**

Children may leave at this time for Children's Church. (Ages 3-7)

### The Morning Sermon

*True Discipleship*

Rev. Tim Rackley

### Prayer of Application

### Hymn

*The Power of the Cross*

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## RECEIVING THE LORD'S SUPPER

### The Apostles' Creed

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### Words of Institution and Invitation

I Corinthians 11:23-29

### Prayer of Confession and Consecration

### Receiving the Bread

*Is not the bread we break a sharing in the body of Christ?* I Cor. 10:16

### Receiving the Cup

*Is not the cup of blessing a sharing in the blood of Christ?* I Cor. 10:16

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Ministry of Mercy Offering will be taken as you leave.

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

### Hymn

*Jesus Shall Reign*

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### Benediction

*Hebrews 13:20-21*

Pastor: "May the God of peace, Who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing His will, and may He work in us what is pleasing to Him, through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory for ever and ever." Amen.

### Postlude

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#### ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Tim Rackley, *Senior Pastor*

Rev. Don Rackley, *Associate Pastor*

Marlon Johnston, *Assisting Elder*

Liesel Engelbrecht, *Pianist*

# SERMON NOTES

## *True Discipleship*

**The Scripture Reading:**

*Exodus 3:16-22*

*Mark 6:6b-32*

**Point:** Since we live in the power of God,  
we must understand what it means  
to be a disciple of Jesus.

### **I. We Must Go in His Power**

**A. Jesus Sent Them Out**

**B. They Went in Faith**

**C. God Worked Through Them**

### **II. We Must Accept His Will**

**A. John Was Faithful to God**

**B. Herod Listened**

**C. Herodias Hated**

**D. John Paid the Price**

### **III. We Must Return to Him**

**A. The Disciples Gathered with Jesus**

**B. The Disciples Reported to Jesus**

**C. The Disciples Rested with Jesus**