

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Lord's Day, March 15, 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**

**Welcome and Announcements**

*(Register Attendance)*

**Meditation**

*Mark 8:29*

*"But what about you?" He asked.  
'Who do you say I am?'  
Peter answered, 'You are the Christ.'"*

## APPROACHING GOD IN WORSHIP

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

**Call to Worship:**

*Psalm 136:1-3*

Pastor: Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good.

**People: For His steadfast love endures forever.**

Pastor: Give thanks to the God of gods.

**People: For His steadfast love endures forever.**

Pastor: Give thanks to the LORD of lords:

**People: For His steadfast love endures forever.**

**Hymn of Adoration**

*Come People of the Risen King*

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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:**

*Romans 7:14-20*

“We know that the law is spiritual; but I am unspiritual, sold as a slave to sin. I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me. I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. For what I do is not the good I want to do; no, the evil I do not want to do – this I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it.”

**Prayer of Confession in Unison:**

**Father, we are told of the two natures fighting for control of our lives. You have given us a new nature, which seeks to save and follow You. Yet we still have the influence of our sin nature, which seeks to draw us away from You. The war between these two natures causes us to be inconsistent in our walk with You.**

**Forgive us when we obey our sin nature. May we, by Your Grace, persevere in our battle against sin. Help us to strengthen and obey our new nature through prayer, meditation on Your Word, and worship. It is our deep desire to be more faithful servants.**

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

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

“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast.”

*Ephesians 2:8-9*

**Hymn**

*I Was a Wondering Sheep*

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**Offertory Prayer**

**Giving of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

**Doxology** #731  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him, all creatures, here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**Hymn**  
*Amazing Grace!* #460

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Ministry of Music** Laura Doeden  
*Grace* by Laura Story

## RECEIVING THE WORD OF GOD

**The Scripture Reading:** *Deuteronomy 10:12-22  
Mark 8:22-9:33*

**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**  
*Living by Faith is a Process* Rev. Tim Rackley

**Prayer of Application**

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

**Hymn**  
*Be Thou My Vision* #642

**Benediction** *Isaiah 3:18; Colossians 1:23*

**Pastor:** "May the Lord, Who longs to be gracious to you, Who waits on high to have compassion on you, plant you firmly in the faith, established, steadfast and unmovable; through the hope of the Gospel, proclaimed to all the creation under heaven." Amen

**Postlude**

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ASSISTING IN WORSHIP  
Rev. Tim Rackley, *Senior Pastor*  
Rev. Don Rackley, *Associate Pastor*

Brad Doeden, *Assisting Elder*  
Bev Kimmel, *Pianist*

# SERMON OUTLINE

## *Living by Faith is a Process*

**The Scripture Reading:**

*Deuteronomy 10:12-22*

*Mark 8:22-9:33*

**Point:** Because Jesus is redeeming His people,  
we must have patient faith in His work.

### **I. Jesus Pastors Us Along in Our Faith**

- A. Feeding of 4,000
- B. Leaven of the Pharisees
- C. Healing of Blind Man

### **II. Jesus Brings Us to Faith**

- A. "Who Do People Say I Am?"
- B. "Who Do You Say I Am?"

### **III. Jesus Informs Our Faith**

- A. Jesus' Mission
- B. Jesus' Correction