

# LITURGY

## CALL TO WORSHIP

*THE STRIKING OF THE HOUR*

*MEDITATION AND PREPARATION*

Prelude

*CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 103:1-5, "Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's."

*Minister:* Lift up your hearts unto the Lord!

*Congregation:* **We lift them up!**

*HYMN*

Come, Christians Join to Sing  
Celebration Hymnal #225

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*THE LAW OF GOD*

Exodus 20:16, "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor."

*Private Confession*

*Corporate Confession*

*Minister:* We make this, our corporate confession, unto God:

*All:* **"God of all power and might, we ask that we would not undergo judgment for our sins. We pray for the mercy of the everlasting God to be poured out on us sinners. We have often lied, both knowingly and unknowingly. We have injured others by our false witness, we have dishonored Christ, and we have stained our Christian reputation. Forgive us, in Jesus' Name. Amen."**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

John 3:17, "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved."

*Minister:* Your sins are forgiven through Christ.

*Congregation:* **Thanks be to God!**

## DOXOLOGY

Doxology  
Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH  
Celebration Hymnal #815

**Praise God from whom  
All blessings flow.  
Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, Ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen**

## CONSECRATION

*PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION*

*SCRIPTURE READING*

*Minister:* The Word of the Lord.

Jeremiah 23:16-29

Hebrews 11:17-12:3

Luke 12:49-56

*Minister:* May God bless the reading of His Word.

*Congregation:* **Amen.**

*PASTORAL PRAYER*

*Minister:* We make these petitions, ending with the prayer our Lord taught us to pray:

*All:*

**"Our Father in heaven,  
Hallowed be Your name.  
Your kingdom come,  
Your 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 do not lead us into temptation,  
But deliver us from the evil one.  
For Yours is the kingdom and the  
power and the glory forever.  
Amen."** (Matthew 6:9-13)

*PSALM*

Psalm 119:81-88  
Tune: MATERNA  
Celebration Hymnal #799, "America, the Beautiful"

**1 My soul for Thy salvation faints;  
Yet I Thy word believe.  
Mine eyes are failing for Thy word;  
When wilt Thou comfort give?  
For like a wineskin I'm become  
That in the smoke is set;  
But yet the statutes Thou hast giv'n  
I never will forget.**

**How many are Thy servant's days;  
When wilt Thou execute  
Just judgment on these wicked men  
That do me persecute?  
The proud have digged a pit for me;  
They disregard Thy laws;  
Thy words all faithful are; help me,  
Pursued without a cause.**

**They so consumed me that on earth  
My life they scarce did leave;  
Thy precepts yet forsook I not  
But close to them did cleave.  
According to Thy love and grace  
Me quicken and preserve;  
The testimony of Thy mouth  
So shall I still observe.**

*SERMON*

The Book of Hosea  
The Unity of All Men Under Christ  
Hosea 1:11

*HYMN*

All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord  
Celebration Hymnal #221

## COMMUNION

*(Once a Month | Next Observance is August 28th)*

## COMMISSIONING

*BENEDICTION*

*Minister:* "Now may the God of patience and comfort grant you to be like-minded toward one another, according to Christ Jesus, that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."  
(Romans 15:5-6)

*All:* **Amen.**

Postlude

*In the foyer, a plate is designated for tithes and offerings.*

**Please fill out a Deacon Nomination handout and drop in the offering plate after service this morning.**

## **DEACON NOMINATIONS**

General Biblical Qualifications: I Timothy 3:8-13

1. A deacon must be dignified (grave, KJV). That is, he must be dignified in his conduct as one worthy of respect both in the church and out in the world. This is certainly a sign of general spiritual maturity.
2. A deacon must not be double-tongued. The term we might use in our day would be two-faced, one who says one thing to one person but something else to another. In other words, what proceeds out of the mouth of a deacon should be trustworthy and not intended to harm another.
3. A deacon must not be addicted (given KJV) to wine. So that a deacon may freely serve the Lord he must not be enslaved to alcohol (also any drugs which are addicting). Addiction to alcohol or drugs indicates spiritual and physical bondage. The true servant of God must be free from such things.
4. A deacon must not gain personal property or money by fraud, lying, cheating, stealing, or any other dishonest means. That is what is meant by sordid gain (filthy lucre, KJV).
5. A deacon should hold to the mystery of the Christian faith with a clear conscience. That is, he should believe those doctrines that are foundational to true, Biblical Christianity. He should hold to them in such a way as to have entrusted his life to them, having been convinced of their truth. His conscience must be free from doubt and mistrust toward God's word.
6. He must first be tested in regard to these qualifications by the church, and be appointed only if he is found to be beyond reproach. It is the responsibility of the church to appoint men who shall faithfully perform their duties. Therefore, they should be examined. (This would apply in the case of those nominated who have not been ordained.)
7. If a deacon is married, he should be a faithful husband to his wife. If he has children, he should manage them well. He must, therefore, be a devoted father, not neglecting his children.  
(Continued on Reverse)
8. A deacon should be a proven manager of his household. This generally applies to those things that add to the peace and stability of a home. It includes relationships and responsibilities. A deacon's home should be in order. This includes finances as well. He should be a good steward toward God.

## **Ministry**

As a general statement, a deacon serves in the body of Christ as an officer who is to support and undergird the ministries of the church. Unlike the overseer, he is not responsible for preaching, though he may certainly do so. He is an administrator who is to help the church organize and accomplish her local ministries. He is to be active in performing his own personal Christian duties and ministries as well. He is to be an example in stewardship, giving of time and tithe for support of church ministries.

## **SERVICES**

### THE LORD'S DAY

Morning Worship 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Ice Cream Social 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

*No Evening Worship*

### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM – 7:40 PM

## **LEADERSHIP**

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### PIANIST

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**The Lord's Day, August 14th, 2022**  
**The Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

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