

THE LORD'S DAY

March 24, 2024

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Piano/Chancel Organ

CALL TO WORSHIP &

STRIKING THE HOUR "Amazing Grace" The Carillon Bells

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† INTROIT "What A Mighty God We Serve" Page 672

† Please stand as you are able. (Verse 1)

† HYMN "We're Marching To Zion" Page 416

(Verses 1,2,4)

† Prayer of the Day and The Lord's Prayer

† ANTHEM "Gloria Patri" Page 813

HYMN "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" Page 297

(All Verses)

WE PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER AND RECITE GOD'S COVENANT PROMISES

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSORIAL "Psalm 84" Psalter 84^D

Sung To The Tune of: "Just As I Am,"

(Verses 1,2)

RESPONSIVE READING: "The Westminster Catechism"

WE RETURN OUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE UNTO THE LORD

RECEIVING THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS † DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER



WE LIFT OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

Hymn

"All Glory, Laud and Honor" (All Verses)

Page 300

SPECIAL MUSIC

EXPOSITION OF THE WORD AND CONFESSION OF FAITH

THE SERMON
"Palm Sunday as Prophetic Satire"
1 Corinthians 4:1-13

† THE APOSTLES' CREED

† CLOSING HYMN "What A Day That Will Be" Page 762

(All Verses)

† BENEDICTION

† ANTHEM "The Family of God" Page 419

DEPART IN PEACE TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

If you are visiting with us today, we're glad you're here. We are ordinary people on an extraordinary journey, learning to love and serve like Jesus. Come with Us!



In this constantly changing world, our goal is to reflect and recapture the historic and classical worship of Almighty God. Central to our service is the proclamation of the Word and a biblical understanding of the Sacraments in the tradition of the Evangelical and Reformed faith.

OUR MISSION

TO PRESENT CHRIST TO EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE, AT EVERY AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITY.



THE LESSONS FOR USE ON THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY ~ YEAR B Matthew 21:1-11 • Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Sermon Series: 1st Corinthians

WE AFFIRM THE FOLLOWING:

- The Holy Trinity of God Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- God has revealed Himself fully and decisively in Holy Scripture. We believe the Bible, consisting of the Old and New Testaments, to be the inspired, infallible, and authoritative Word of God and our guide for faith and life.
- There is only one way to Salvation through Jesus Christ.
- The sanctity of human life based on our creation in the image of God and our election by God for service in His Kingdom. This leads us to respectfully affirm the sanctity of life at every stage, from conception to ordinary death.
- The Biblical principles of immutable gender and sexuality: The exclusive union of one man and one woman in marriage; and fidelity to its vows. And, chastity outside of marriage for the sake of the Kingdom.
- God made all people from one man and although people can be distinguished by different ethnicities and nationalities, we are all one human race and absolute equals before God in creation, the need for repentance, and the offer of redemption.
- That the mission of the Church is to spread the Good News of the Gospel in every word and deed. Proclaiming to the world the atoning death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and seeking to bring every person into a life of faith, discipleship, and submission to Him.

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 130 Are you interested in Church Membership? We receive new members the last Sunday of each month. Please see Pastor Kler today. Our Church believes in financial transparency and so our Quarterly Reports are displayed on the bulletin board in

the Fellowship Hall.



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MANY PEOPLE WHO reject Christianity claim to do so because of a perceived lack of love in churches. This rejection has caused a reactionary trend that seeks to soften God's disapproval of sin and magnify a kind of love that isn't really love at all.

Being wise in their own eyes, many churches have begun giving approval to those who practice all kinds of unrighteousness and calling it love. Abortion, adultery, homosexuality, watering down the Word, and other sins that are normalized and approved by our society are regrettably approved by many churches as well. So, in a quest to out-smart and out-love God, love itself has been redefined as unrestricted acceptance of sin.

What do we do then, when the world and the worldly church label that which is authentic Christian love with the stamp as bigotry or intolerance?

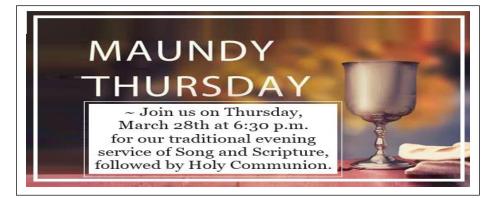
APPROVAL OF SIN MOCKS THE CROSS

First, we must remember the relationship between love and sin. The Apostle John said, "In this is love, not that we have loved God but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins" (1 John 4:10). The love of God in Jesus is all about delivering people from sin, not leaving them to live in it.

The world says that love accepts sin, but the Scriptures assert that love exposes it. At the cross of Jesus Christ, we see the greatest display of love the world will ever know and the clearest demonstration of the horror of our sin. Therefore, if we believe that love means accepting or ignoring sin, we mock the cross where Jesus made payment for it by his precious blood.

GOOD AND EVIL SHOULDN'T BE CONFUSED

Second, we must refuse to call evil good in the name of tolerance. Listen to Isaiah, "Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter!" (Isa. 5:20). Seeking to redefine good and evil is very dangerous and patently unloving. Woe to us if we try.





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Kent and Janet Kilgore in memory of our family

Sandy Link in loving memory of her daughter Heather Link

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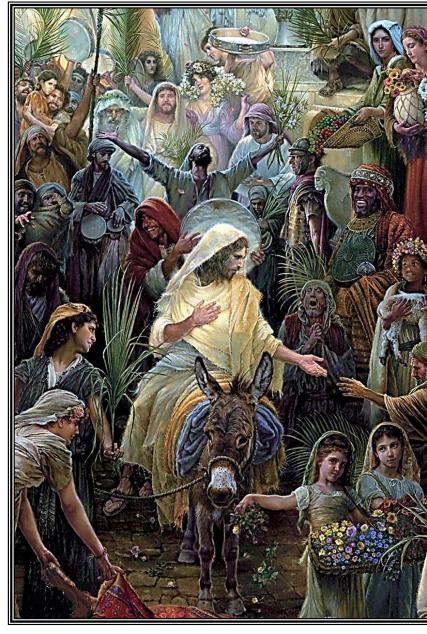
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Monday - Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing, but Encourage one another as the Day of the Lord draws near. -Hebrews 10:25



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