



THE LORD’S DAY
February 12, 2023
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 *“Come Thou Almighty King”* Page 8
† Please stand as you are able. (Verse 1,4)

† HYMN *“Are You Washed in the Blood”* Page 330
(All Verses)

† PRAYER OF THE DAY AND THE LORD’S PRAYER
† ANTHEM *“Gloria Patri”* Page 813

† HYMN *“Blessed Assurance”* Page 572
(All Verses)

**WE PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER AND
RECITE GOD’S COVENANT PROMISES**

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSORIAL *“Psalm 115”* *Psalter 115^A*
Sung to the tune of: “O God Our Help in Ages Past”
(Verses 1,2)

RESPONSIVE READING: Heidelberg 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 *“No One Ever Cared for Me like Jesus”* Page 496
(All Verses)

SPECIAL MUSIC

**EXPOSITION OF THE WORD
AND CONFESSION OF FAITH**

THE SERMON
“Meekness is Not Weakness”
Matthew 5:1-5

† THE APOSTLES’ CREED

† CLOSING HYMN *“Since Jesus Came into My Heart”* Page 503
(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
SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
Deuteronomy 30:15-20 • 1 Corinthians 3:1-9
Matthew 5:1-5 • Psalm 119:1-8

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 guidelines for unalterable 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: 149

Are you interested in
Church Membership?

We receive new members the last Sunday of each month. If you are interested in joining our Church family, please see Pastor Kler today.



GIVING REPORT

Week Ending February 5, 2023
\$6,565

Sunday General Giving	6,179
Online General Giving	271
Total General Gifts	6,450
Less 3% to Building	-194
Less 10% to Missions	-646
Net General	5,611
Designated Giving	
Building Maintenance	219
Flowers	50
Joash	40
Missions	646
Total Designated Giving	954
Net General	5,611
Designated Giving	954
Total Receipts	\$6,565



Of all the Beatitudes, I'd guess that "blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth" is the most misunderstood. I think the reason why is because we don't understand the virtue of meekness and tend to think it indicates weakness. Sometimes we confuse the two. But the difference between a meek person and weak person is this: a weak person can't do anything. A meek person, on the other hand, can do something but chooses not to. The word "meek" from the original Greek language was used to describe reining in a stallion. It is the idea of a horse being controlled by a bit and bridle. The horse is choosing to submit to authority. That is meekness. It is power under constraint.

Reformer John Calvin calls it a "mild and gentle disposition" that means you're not easily provoked by personal injury or ready to take offense. It's a heart that doesn't seek to exact the revenge or the repayment it could but - "is prepared to endure anything rather than do the like actions back to wicked men." It is humility before God, exercised toward others.

Jesus, the image of the invisible God (Col. 1:15) and our premier model for everything good, also identified Himself as "gentle and lowly in heart" (Matt. 11:29). Though He "upholds the universe by the word of his power" (Heb. 1:3) and overturned tables out of righteousness indignation he submitted himself to suffering and death on the cross. Jesus was the strong one who, in an exertion of heroic meekness, bore up under the assault of the arrogant and the proud and took on the sins of the slanderers and accusers in order to obey his Father. And it is precisely in that meekness that Jesus achieved our salvation. Only as we come to know this truth can we gain the strength to walk in the powerful meekness of Jesus.

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Their Mission is to provide Pasco County's
most valuable resource - our school children
- with the simplest things that most of our kids take for granted.



Each week they pack more than 1,100
backpacks with safe, non-perishable,
and nutritious food to see needy
children through the weekend when
school meals are not available.

ASSISTIVE
LISTENING
SYSTEMS
AVAILABLE



If you have difficulty
hearing during Worship,
please see one of our
Sound Booth
Technicians before the
service begins.



The Chancel Flowers Are Placed by:
Ric & Emmy Romyn
in honor of Ric's Mother's Birthday



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

-----FEBRUARY 2023-----
Strawberry Festival (ticket required)....Saturday, February 18th at 3:00 p.m.
(Organ Concert at 3:00 p.m.. Food served at 3:30 p.m.)

-----MARCH 2023-----
GAL's Meeting..... Monday, March 6th at 12:30
Guy's Lunch..... Thursday, March 9th at 11:00 a.m.
5th Annual Chili Cook-Off Set-Up.....Saturday, March 18th at 3:00 p.m.
(Ticket required. Food served at 4:00 p.m.)

-----REGULAR SCHEDULE-----
Wednesday Bible Study..... Weekly at 4:00 p.m.



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<https://fcczh.breezechms.com/give/online>

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Give via text message by
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(813) 553-5717

THE ELDERS
TEACHING & WORSHIP

Rev. H. Joseph Kler
Senior Pastor / L.F.O.C. Chaplain

Rev. John O. Strauss
Worship Leader / Minister of Music

THE DIACONATE
Jim Leitzke, Gary Hatrick

OUR MUSICIANS
Dee Schults, Ann Dantuma
Pianist/Organist

Donna Zenisek-Huber Flutist

SOUND BOOTH
Joe Negron, Jonathan Kler

THE BOARD
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OUR VOLUNTEER STAFFED
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FAIRVIEW
COMMUNITY CHURCH of ZEPHYRHILLS
...a Christ-centered, Reformed faith fellowship.

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

Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit
the Earth.

Matthew 5:5



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