

FEBRUARY 5, 2023

EVENING

Order of Worship

Greeting

Call to Worship

Psalm 92:1-4

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre. For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

Invocation

* Hymn Supplement pg. 62

“Give Praise to God”

Affirmation of Faith: *Westminster Confession of Faith 30.3-4 Necessary Church Censures*

Q: Why are Church censures necessary?

A. (30.3): Church censures are necessary, for the reclaiming and gaining of offending brethren, for deterring of others from like offenses, for purging out of that leaven which might infect the whole lump, for vindicating the honor of Christ, and the holy profession of the Gospel, and for preventing the wrath of God, which might justly fall upon the Church, if they should suffer His covenant, and the seals thereof, to be profaned by notorious and obstinate offenders.

Q.: How does the Church attain these ends?

A. (30.4): For the better attaining of these ends, the officers of the church are to proceed by admonition, suspension from the sacrament of the Lord's Supper for a season; and by excommunication from the Church, according to the nature of the crime, and demerit of the person.

* Scripture Reading

Old Testament: *Isaiah 9:1-7* (Government for Peace)

* **Pastor:** This is the Word of our God.

* **Congregation:** The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God stands forever.

Pastoral Prayer

* Hymn # 307

“Nothing but the Blood”

Sermon Series: *3 John*

* *Indicates Please Stand if Able*
* **Prayer for Illumination**

* **Sermon Text**

3 John 9-10

* **Pastor:** Thus far the reading of God's holy Word. And may God add His blessing to the reading of His Word.

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

Sermon Title: “Diabolical Opposition”

Pastor Michael Mock

Sermon Outline: Begins below

Prayer for Transformation

* Hymn Supplement pg. 18

“O Church, Arise”

* **Benediction**

Outline: 3 *John* 9-10 “Diabolical Opposition”

God will deal with the diabolical schemes of men who hate his missionaries and their supporters.

1. Diabolical Opposition (vv. 9-10)

- a. Slander
- b. Separation of Brothers
- c. Self-Exaltation
- d. **Application**

2. Driving Out Opposition (v. 10)

- a. Divine Timing
 - i. **Application**
- b. Divine Patience
 - i. **Application**