

Th come, let us worship and bow down;

let us kneel before the RORD our Maker!

For He is our God!

Rsalm 95:6-7a

OCTOBER 15, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Greeting

Call to Worship Isaiah 59:20

"And a Redeemer will come to Zion, to those in Jacob who turn from transgression," declares the LORD.

Invocation

* Hymn # 194

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Call to Confession Psalm 51:1

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Luke 2:15-17

When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child.

* Hymn # 224

"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

* Old & New Testament Scripture Reading:

Law: *Genesis* 17:1-9 (A Promise for the Ages) **Gospels:** *Mark* 4:26-34 (Kingdom Expansion)

Apocalypse: Revelation 22 (Victory) * **Pastor:** This is the Word of our God.

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

Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 42 (Q & A 110-111)

Q. What does God forbid in the eighth commandment?

A. God forbids not only outright theft and robbery, punishable by law. But in God's sight theft also includes all scheming and swindling in order to get our neighbor's goods for ourselves, whether by force or means that appear legitimate, such as inaccurate measurements of weight, size, or volume; fraudulent merchandising; counterfeit money; excessive interest; or any other means forbidden by God. In addition God forbids all greed and pointless squandering of his gifts.

Q. What does God require of you in this commandment?

A. That I do whatever I can for my neighbor's good, that I treat others as I would like them to treat me, and that I work faithfully so that I may share with those in need.

* Indicates Please Stand if Able

Pastoral Prayer

* Hymn # 233

"To Us a Child of Hope Is Born"

Tithes and Offerings

* Hymn # 731 "Doxology"

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.

- * Prayer of Thanksgiving
- * Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Series: Reformation-ologies

* Sermon Text Isaiah 9:1-7

- * **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: "Reformed Eschatology" Pastor Michael Mock

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Prayer for Transformation

Lord's Supper: A Meal at the End

* Eucharistic Hymn # 195

"Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come"

- * Benediction
- * Departing Hymn # 55

"To God Be the Glory!"

To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that we may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he has done!

Sermon Outline:

Sermon Text: *Isaiah 9:1-7* "Reformed Eschatology"

Christians serve to glorify God and enjoy him forever with the certainty of Christ's everincreasing Kingdom.



- a. Light
- b. Multiplication
- c. Liberty
- d. Might
- e. Wisdom
- f. Peace
- g. Justice-Righteousness
- h. Joy
- i. **Application:** This Kingdom is now.

2. The Duration & Extent of the Kingdom (v. 7)

- a. Old Testament
 - i. Law
 - 1. Gen. 12:3
 - 2. Gen. 17:6
 - 3. Gen. 22:17
 - ii. Writings
 - 1. Ps. 2:6-9

	2.	Ps. 22:27-28
iii.	Prophe 1.	ets Isaiah 2:2-3

- 2. Isaiah 11:9
- 3. Ezekiel 47:1-6
- 4. Daniel 2:31-45

b. Gospels

- i. Matthew 13:31-33
- ii. John 12:32
- iii. Matthew 28:16-20
- c. Epistles
 - i. Col. 1:12
 - ii. 1 Cor. 15:22-26
- d. Revelation
 - i. Rev. 7:9-10
- e. **Application**: The hope of an ever-increasing Kingdom of God fills our praise, prayers, and proclamation.

3. The Fact of the Kingdom (v. 7)

a. The Zeal of the LORD

10-15-23	Nursery Schedule		10-22-23
Sunday School	Carling & Stephannie	Sunday School	Carling & Hannah
Worship	Molly & Carling	Worship	Jodie & Hannah

Today & Weekly

Today

Pre-Service Prayer Gathering: 9:00-9:15am in the Library **ABF:** 9:30am – Ligonier Series: "Christianity and Liberalism"

Sunday School: 9:30am During Reformation Month, K-5th Grade meet in sanctuary

Morning Worship: 10:45am

Evening Worship: 6:30pm, with the Lord's Supper

Weekly

Men's Bible Study: On break

Women's Fall Bible Study: Thursdays, 10am at Cross Creek PCA (with childcare).

Senior Women's Fellowship: Wednesdays, 10am hosted by Linda Teague (7916 Ancon Dr.)

Choir Practice: Wednesdays, 7:00pm (childcare provided)

Evening Worship: 1st and 3rd Sunday evenings (and 5th when applicable), 6:30pm. On the first Sunday monthly at 5:30pm, a Fellowship Meal will precede the service and on the 3rd

Sunday, the Lord's Supper will be served. (Please see below for an update for 9-17-23.) **Cross Creek Open Bible Fellowship:** 2nd & 4th Sundays, 5-7pm. Please meet at the Adams'

home to share a meal, Bible Study and fellowship.

Reformation Month

Parents of Cross Creek, in keeping with our time-honored tradition of teaching our children Reformation history through the month of October, we ask that you please drop your children off in the sanctuary starting October 1st where they will meet their Sunday School teachers and learn about our reformer of the month: Martin Luther. You should receive a parent letter from your child(ren)'s Sunday School teacher, and an additional copy from our church office by email. Please contact Lynne Johnson @ 910-751-3469 or by email: EducatingHisCreation@gmail.com if you have any questions or if you or your children would like to help serve during the month or with the celebration.

Called Congregational Meeting

There will be a Called Congregational Meeting immediately following the morning service on Nov. 5, 2023.



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