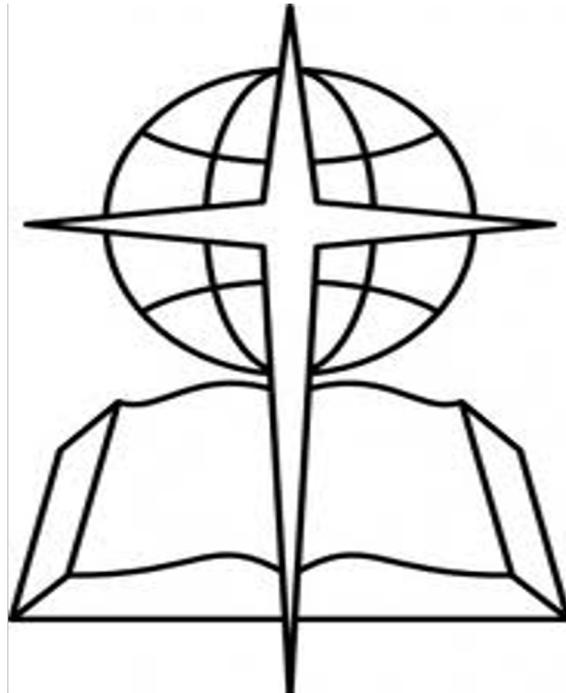


Soli Deo Gloria

To God Alone be the Glory



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Order of Worship

Call to Worship & Prayer of Praise

Psalm 1

Blessed is the man
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

**But his delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law he meditates day and night.**

He is like a tree planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.
In all that he does, he prospers.

**The wicked are not so,
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

**For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.**

Hymns of Praise

HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION (*Hymn #456*)

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When thro' fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, tho' all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake!"

BE THOU MY VISION (*Hymn #83*)

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be alleles to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son, Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou my inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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Scripture Reading

1 JOHN 2:1-17

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ² He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. ³ And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. ⁴ Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, ⁵ but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: ⁶ whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

⁷ Beloved, I am writing you no new commandment, but an old commandment that you had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word that you have heard. ⁸ At the same time, it is a new commandment that I am writing to you, which is true in him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true light is already shining.

⁹ Whoever says he is in the light and hates his brother is still in darkness. ¹⁰ Whoever loves his brother abides in the light, and in him^[b] there is no cause for stumbling. ¹¹ But whoever hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

¹² I am writing to you, little children,
because your sins are forgiven for his name's sake.

¹³ I am writing to you, fathers,
because you know him who is from the beginning.

I am writing to you, young men,
because you have overcome the evil one.

I write to you, children,
because you know the Father.

¹⁴ I write to you, fathers,
because you know him who is from the beginning.

I write to you, young men,
because you are strong,

and the word of God abides in you,
and you have overcome the evil one.

¹⁵ Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. ¹⁶ For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life^[c]—is not from the Father but is from the world. ¹⁷ And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

Prayer of Confession

Hymn of Response

ROCK OF AGES (*Hymn #224*)

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood, from Thy wounded side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure: save from wrath and make me pure.

Not the labors of my hands Can fulfill Thy law's demands;
These for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone;
In my hand no price I bring, Simply to Thy cross I cling.

While I draw this fleeting breath, When mine eyes shall close in death,
When I rise to worlds unknown and behold Thee on Thy throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me. Let me hide myself in Thee.

Scripture Readings

LUKE 8:4-21

⁴ And when a great crowd was gathering and people from town after town came to him, he said in a parable, ⁵“A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the air devoured it. ⁶ And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. ⁷ And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it. ⁸ And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold.” As he said these things, he called out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

⁹ And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, ¹⁰ he said, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God, but for others they are in parables, so that ‘seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.’ ¹¹ Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. ¹² The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. ¹³ And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away. ¹⁴ And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures

of life, and their fruit does not mature. ¹⁵ As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.

¹⁶ “No one after lighting a lamp covers it with a jar or puts it under a bed, but puts it on a stand, so that those who enter may see the light. ¹⁷ For nothing is hidden that will not be made manifest, nor is anything secret that will not be known and come to light. ¹⁸ Take care then how you hear, for to the one who has, more will be given, and from the one who has not, even what he thinks that he has will be taken away.”

¹⁹ Then his mother and his brothers^[b] came to him, but they could not reach him because of the crowd. ²⁰ And he was told, “Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, desiring to see you.” ²¹ But he answered them, “My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and do it.”

JAMES 1:19-27

¹⁹ Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰ for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God.

²¹ Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

²² But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. ²³ For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. ²⁴ For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. ²⁵ But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

²⁶ If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. ²⁷ Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

Sermon

“Doers and Not Only Hearers”

I. JAMES' CHARGE (James 1:22)

A. James the B_____ of J_____ (Gal. 1:19)

B. Be D_____ of the W_____, and not H_____ O_____

- ...D_____ yourselves.

C. A M_____ given to James by J_____ (Luke 8:21)

- ...J_____ B_____ are those who D_____

II. JAMES' WARNING (James 1:23-24)

A. Don't be like the one who L_____ I_____ in the M_____

- ...who G_____ A_____ and F_____

B. Genuine F_____ produces F_____

- Only the D_____ will be J_____ (Rom 2:13)

III. JAMES' PROMISE (James 1:25)

A. If you look into the P_____ L_____ of L_____

- ...which F_____ us from S_____

- And if you P_____

B. Then you will be B_____ in your D_____

Hymn of Response

TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE (*HYMN #534*)

Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;

Take my hands and let them move

At the impulse of Thy love, At the impulse of Thy love.

Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee;

Take my voice and let me sing

Always, only, for my King, Always, only, for my King.

Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold;

Take my moments and my days,

Let them flow in ceaseless praise, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine;

Take my heart, it is Thine own,

It shall be Thy royal throne, It shall be Thy royal throne.

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Prayers of the Church

Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Closing Hymn

STANDING ON THE PROMISES (*Hymn #339*)

Standing on the promises of Christ my King,

Through eternal ages let His praises ring,

Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,

Standing on the promises of God.

Standing, standing, Standing on the promises of God my Savior;

Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that cannot fail,

When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,

By the living Word of God I shall prevail,

Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,

Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord,

Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,

Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises I cannot fall,

List'ning every moment to the Spirit's call,

Resting in my Savior as my all in all,

Standing on the promises of God.

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Benediction