Order of Worship - Week of October 13, 2019

Call to Worship and Invocation

Pastor Phil leads a call to worship from Psalm 100. All respond in bold

Leader:

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

People:

Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Leader:

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

People:

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Songs of response:

- 1. Holy Holy Holy #100
- 2. Oh the Deep Deep Love of Jesus #535

Confession of Sin

All confess their sins from the Book of Common Prayer, Rite II

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Dave reads 1 John 2:1-2 to assure forgiveness:

If anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments.

Songs of response:

- 1. I Will Sing of My Redeemer
- 2. We Abide, We Abide in You by Sandra McCracken

Confession of Faith - Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q88-90 All confess their faith using the Shorter Catechism. Phil asks the question, all respond in bold

Q. 88. What are the outward and ordinary means by which Christ gives to us the benefits of redemption?

The outward and ordinary means by which Christ gives to us the benefits of redemption are his ordinances, especially the word, sacraments, and prayer, and all these are made effective in the salvation of the elect.

Q. 89. How is the Word of God made effective to salvation? The Spirit of God makes the reading but especially the preaching of the Word, an effective means of convincing and converting sinners, and building them up in holiness and comfort, through faith, to salvation.

Q. 90. How is the Word to be read and heard, that it may become effective to salvation?

We must attend to the Word with diligence, preparation and prayer, receive it with faith and love, lay it up in our hearts, and practise it in our lives, so that it may become effective to salvation.

Preaching of God's Word

Lucas Hattenberger preaches from Mark 4:1-20