

Delighting in God's Glory | Demonstrating His Grace | Declaring His Gospel

PRELUDE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

\*PSALM 1

“How Blest the Man”

St. Petersburg



1. How blest the man who does not walk where wick - ed men would guide his feet, who  
 2. For he is like a grow - ing tree, which, plant - ed by a flow - ing stream, in  
 3. Not so the wick - ed! Like the chaff, the wind will blow them all a - way. The



stands not in the sin - ners' ways nor sits up - on the scorn - ers' seat. The  
 sea - son yields its fin - est fruit; its leaves are al - ways fresh and green. In  
 judg - ment they will not with - stand, nor sin - ners with the righ - teous stay. God



law of God is his de - light, his med - i - ta - tion day and night.  
 all he does he finds suc - cess; pros - per - i - ty will he pos - sess.  
 knows the way of righ - teous ones; the wick - ed way will be un - done.

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 6:1–8

<sup>1</sup> “Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria,  
 the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel comes!

<sup>2</sup> Pass over to Calneh, and see, and from there go to Hamath the great;  
 then go down to Gath of the Philistines.

Are you better than these kingdoms? Or is their territory greater than your territory,

<sup>3</sup> O you who put far away the day of disaster and bring near the seat of violence?

<sup>4</sup> Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches,  
 and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall,

<sup>5</sup> who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music,

<sup>6</sup> who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

<sup>7</sup> Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile,  
 and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

<sup>8</sup> The Lord God has sworn by himself, declares the Lord, the God of hosts:

“I abhor the pride of Jacob and hate his strongholds, and I will deliver up the city and all that is in it.”

SENIOR PASTOR Dr. Todd M. Smedley

PASTORS Rev. David Frerichs | Rev. Corey Gray | Rev. Ron Meyer | Rev. Thomas Myrick | Dr. Robert Norris

READING OF THE LAW

*The Ninth Commandment*

Exodus 20:16

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 119:28–29

My soul melts away for sorrow; strengthen me according to your word! Put false ways far from me and graciously teach me your law!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HYMN OF RESPONSE

“I Will Glory in My Redeemer”

Vikki & Steve Cook

I will glory in my Redeemer,  
Whose priceless blood has ransomed me.  
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails  
And hung him on that judgment tree.  
I will glory in my Redeemer,  
Who crushed the power of sin and death,  
My only Savior before the holy Judge,  
The Lamb who is my righteousness,  
The Lamb who is my righteousness.

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NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 14:1–14

<sup>1</sup> One Sabbath, when he went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. <sup>2</sup> And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. <sup>3</sup> And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?” <sup>4</sup> But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. <sup>5</sup> And he said to them, “Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?” <sup>6</sup> And they could not reply to these things. <sup>7</sup> Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, <sup>8</sup> “When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, <sup>9</sup> and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give your place to this person,’ and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup> But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. <sup>11</sup> For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.” <sup>12</sup> He said also to the man who had invited him, “When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. <sup>13</sup> But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, <sup>14</sup> and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just.”

SERMON

“Sanctified Seating Charts”  
*8th in the series, “At the Table with Jesus”*

Rev. David Frerichs

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\*HYMN

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

Wellesley



1. Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, leave the gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in -  
2. Has - ten as a bride to meet him, ea - ger - ly and glad - ly greet him. There he  
3. Now in faith I hum - bly pon - der o - ver this sur - pass - ing won - der that the  
4. Je - sus, source of last - ing plea - sure, tru - est friend and dear - est treas - ure, peace be -



to the day - light's splen - dor, there with joy your prais - es ren - der. Bless the  
stands al - read - y knock - ing; quick - ly, now, your gate un - lock - ing, o - pen  
bread of life is bound - less, though the souls it feeds are count - less; with the  
yond all un - der - stand - ing, joy in - to all life ex - pand - ing: hum - bly



One whose grace un - bound - ed this a - maz - ing ban - quet found - ed;  
wide the fast - closed por - tal, say - ing to the Lord im - mor - tal:  
choic - est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to us is giv - en.  
now, I bow be - fore you, love in - car - nate, I a - dore you;



he, tho' heav'n - ly, high and ho - ly, deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.  
"Come, and leave your loved one nev - er; dwell with - in my heart for - ev - er."  
Oh, most glo - rious con - so - la - tion, pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion.  
wor - thi - ly let me re - ceive you, and, so fa - vored, nev - er leave you.

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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made.

Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING OF THE SUPPER

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*HYMN

“Come, Take by Faith the Body of the Lord”

Morecambe



Come, take by faith the bod-y of the Lord, and drink the blood of Christ for us out-poured.



Praise and con-fess the won-ders of his grace: to res-cue us, he suf-fered in our place.

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*\*Congregation standing as able*

**Face Coverings** and **physical distancing** of at least six feet are required at all services.

#### **Exiting the service**

- Exit by the front ramp doors or the rear Narthex doors (use the closer of the two) while maintaining physical distancing.
- Use the center aisle only, allowing those closest to the exit to depart before you, pew-by-pew.

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### **NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 7**

#### **MORNING SERVICE**

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

“Do Not Fear How Valuable You Are”

Luke 12:4-7

Dr. Todd M. Smedley

*Sacrament of the Lord's Supper  
will be celebrated.*

#### **EVENING SERVICE**

6:00 p.m.

“An Uninvited Guest”

Luke 19:1-10

Rev. Thomas Myrick

*A Service of Installation for  
Rev. David Frerichs as Associate Pastor*

### **STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE**

General Giving

2021 Annual Budget           \$ 5,146,626

2021 Year-to-Date Received   \$ 458,038

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