

WELCOME TO
OZARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We warmly welcome you to Ozark Presbyterian Church, where we strive to live as faithful followers of Jesus our Savior and King. At the end of each pew is the friendship register – please take a moment to write down your name (and other information if it has changed or if you are a visitor) and pass it along the row and then pass it back for all to see who is sitting near to them. Please greet your neighbors at the close of the service!

Your elders and deacons have been elected and ordained to serve you in the name of Christ. Please pray for them often and feel free to contact any one of them if you have a need or if you have any questions that they might be able to answer for you.

Diaconate: Bill Blackmon, Jr.; John Davis;
Brian McCready

Session: Frank C. Ellis, Jr., Moderator;
Durwood Judah, Clerk;
Billy Blackmon; Wes Brunson;
Jeff May, Pete Mosley

Robert McLaughlin, *deacon emeritus*,
Earl Griffin, *elder emeritus*

*We proclaim Christ, who is
the Way, the Truth, and the Life.*

*Through him we are
Taught by the Truth, and
Liberated by the Life, to
Walk in the Way.*

*The goal of our instruction is love for God and neighbor
that flows from a pure heart and
a clear conscience and
a sincere faith.*

The Preface

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

People: **It is right and good so to do.**

The Prayer of Humble Access and of Consecration

The Giving of the Bread

The Giving of the Cup

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication, *standing as able*

All: *Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!
Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,
who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.
The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.*

(Psalm 103:1-4, 8, 10-13)

The Hymn 247, v. 3

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

The Benediction and the People's Amen

Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. AMEN.

The Postlude



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Taught by the Truth and Liberated by the Life to Walk in the Way



*Jesus said, I am the living bread that came down from heaven.
If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever.
And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.*

~ John 6:51

THE ORDER FOR DIVINE WORSHIP

September 25, 2016 11:00 a.m.

Holy Communion

The Greeting

The Call to Worship

Isaiah 30:15

Thus says the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel, "In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength."

The Prelude

Silent Prayer: Gracious and holy Father, give us wisdom to perceive you, intelligence to understand you, diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you, eyes to behold you, a heart to meditate on you, and a life to proclaim you, through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN. (St. Benedict of Nursia, c.480-547)

Organized to the Glory of God in 1893

The Ascription of Praise, *standing as able* Psalm 103:1-2, 20-22
Minister: *Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits!*
People: ***Bless the LORD, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word! Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!***
All: ***Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the LORD, O my soul!***

The Psalm 148 Insert

The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

The *Gloria Patri* Latin Hymn, A.D. 529
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end.
Amen, Amen.
All may be seated

The Law of God from Exodus 20:1-17; WSC 82
Minister: *And God spoke all these words, saying, I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.*
All:

- You shall have no other gods before me.***
- You shall not make for yourself a carved image.***
- You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.***
- Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.***
- Honor your father and your mother.***
- You shall not murder.***
- You shall not commit adultery.***
- You shall not steal.***
- You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.***
- You shall not covet.***

Minister: Can you, or any human being, perfectly obey the commandments of God?
People: **No. Since Adam first sinned, no mere human being can, in this life perfectly obey the commandments of God. We all break them daily, in our thoughts, our words, and our deeds.**

The Call to Confession Romans 3:23; 1 John 1:9
...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...
If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

The Prayer of Confession, *minister only* *The Ancient Spanish Sacramentary*, a.700
O Holy Spirit, our Comforter, who with the Father and the Son abides one God; Descend again into our hearts, and, while you are interceding for us, work the grace of repentance in us, that we may, with full confidence call on our Father in heaven and confess our sins before him, through Jesus Christ our Sacrifice and Great High Priest...

The Individual Confession of Sin, *in silence*

The Prayer for Grace *The Ambrosian Liturgy*, a.800
Lord Jesus Christ, who stretched out your hands on the cross and redeemed us by your blood, forgive us sinners, for none of our thoughts are hidden from you.

To Glorify God and to Enjoy Him Forever

Pardon we ask for, pardon we hope for, pardon we trust, in you, to have. O Lord, you are gracious and merciful; spare and forgive us, we pray. **AMEN.**

The Assurance of Pardon Romans 5:6-9
For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person— though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

The Hymn 460, vv. 1-4, *standing as able* Amazing Grace!
All may be seated

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings
You are invited to write down your ministry and/or prayer requests (joys and concerns) on the cards in the cards in the pew racks. Please place them in the offering plate or hand them to one of the elders at the end of the service.

The Prayer of Dedication
The Offertory

The Doxology, *standing as able* Thomas Ken, 1674
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. AMEN.
All may be seated

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord’s Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN.

The Scripture Lesson 1 Thessalonians 5:17

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon Pastor Frank C. Ellis, Jr.

The Invitation to the Meal and Fencing of the Table

The Hymn 247, vv. 1-2, *standing as able* O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

The Confession of Our Faith The Nicene Creed, A.D. 380

The Passing of the Peace
Minister: *You were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God. Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.*
The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

The Words of Institution Matthew 26:26-29
All may be seated

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The Sacrament of Holy Communion is a gift from the Lord Jesus to his people. Because of its importance, we ask you to consider carefully these things before you come to his table:

- Are you trusting and resting in Jesus Christ alone as your only hope of forgiveness and eternal life?
- Have you declared your repentance of sin and faith in Jesus Christ before the church?
- Have you been baptized with water in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, and are you a communing member in good standing of a church that faithfully proclaims the Gospel?
- Are you in good fellowship with all other believers, practicing Christ’s command to love one another?

If you can say, “Yes” to all these questions, we welcome you to come and find strength and rest at the Lord’s Table. If you are unsure or must say, “No” to any of these questions, then we ask you to abstain. Please speak with an elder if you have questions.

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

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his 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 Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and is seated at 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.

And we believe in the Holy Ghost,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets; and
we believe one Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. AMEN.