

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 Confession of Our Faith

I believe in God the Father

Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord:

Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost;

Born of the Virgin Mary;

Suffered under Pontius Pilate;

Was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell;

The third day he rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven;

And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;

The holy catholic Church;

The communion of saints;

The forgiveness of sins;

The resurrection of the body;

And the life everlasting.

AMEN.

The Passing of the Peace

Romans 5 1

Minister: *Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of Christ be with you all.*

People: **And also with you.**

The Prayer of Dedication

The Gallican Sacramentary, 5th Century

Lord Jesus Christ, you have called us to deny ourselves and take up our cross and follow you. In our following, give us, we pray, purity of lips, clean and innocent hearts and integrity of action; give us humility, patience, self-control, prudence, justice and courage; give us the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and strength, the spirit of knowledge and godliness, and of fear of you; make us always to seek your face with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind; grant us to have a contrite and humbled heart in your presence, to prefer nothing above your love. Have mercy on us as we bear your easy yoke, we humbly pray. **AMEN.**

The Benediction and the People's Amen

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24, 28

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. AMEN.

The Postlude



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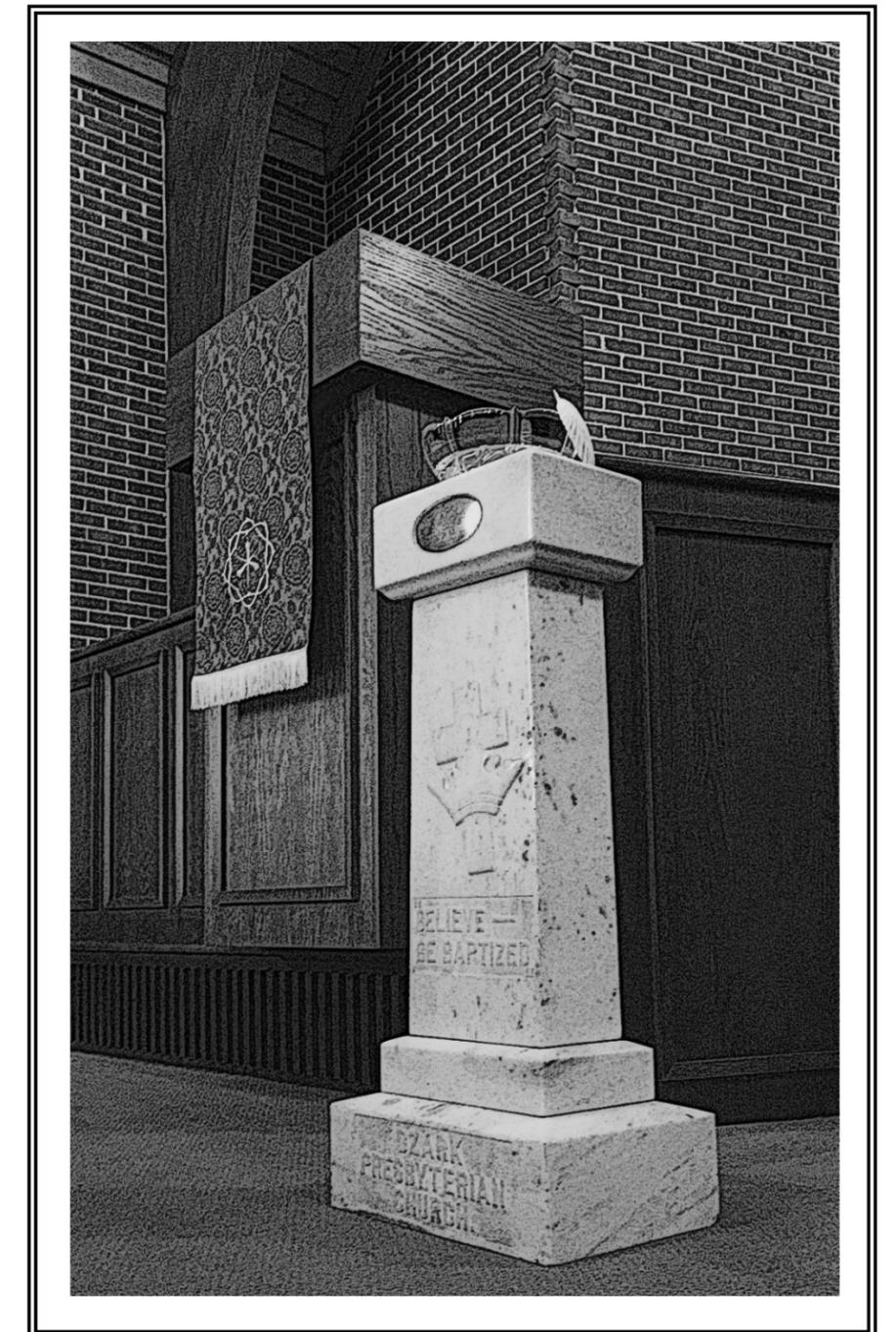
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The Apostles' Creed, A.D. 390

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THE ORDER FOR DIVINE WORSHIP

November 13, 2016 11:00 a.m.

*Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain;
for the LORD our God is holy!*

~ Psalm 99:1, 9

Organized to the Glory of God in 1893

The Greeting

The Call to Worship

Matthew 11:27-30

All things have been handed over to me by my Father.... Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

The Prelude

Silent Prayer: God our Father, grant that all of us who call on the name of our King Jesus Christ may be delivered from the present delights and the future afflictions of the evil one by participating in the reality of the blessings held in store and already revealed to us in our union with Christ our Lord himself, who alone with you Father and the Spirit is praised by all creation. AMEN. (St. Maximus the Confessor, ca. 580-662)

The Ascription of Praise, *standing as able*

Psalm 93:1-5

Minister: *The LORD reigns as King; he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt. Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.*

People: ***Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.***

Minister: *The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring.*

All: ***Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the LORD on high is mighty! Your decrees are very trustworthy; holiness befits your house, O LORD, forevermore.***

The Psalm 99

Trinity Psalter, page 83

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 Call to Confession

Romans 2:4; Isaiah 44:22

Do you presume on the riches of God's kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that his kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?

I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.

The Prayer of Confession, *in unison*

O Righteous Father, you have shown us in Jesus your Beloved Son the life that we ought to be living, and the faith that is our strength and salvation. We confess that we have shut our eyes to the light you have given us, and have despised your provision for our utmost need. We have drunk at defiled streams and eaten ashes for bread; we have wandered, weak and helpless, restless and unsatisfied. We confess our love for the things of this present age, our shrinking from self-denial and sacrifice, our yielding to temptation, our deliberate repeated sins...

The Individual Confession of Sin, *in silence*

The Prayer for Peace and Grace

The Assurance of Pardon

Jeremiah 31:33-34

This is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

The Hymn 642, vv. 1-4, *standing as able*

Be Thou My Vision

The Prayer for Holiness, *minister only*

All may be seated

The Gideon Presentation

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

Mark 8:34-9:1

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon

Pastor Frank C. Ellis, Jr.

The Hymn 610, *standing as able*

“Take Up Your Cross,” the Savior Said

The Real King

It may not look like Christ is ruling the universe. Today it might look like just a crack of light under a door.

But the New Testament writers were confident because they knew the light had dawned (Rom. 13: 12) and that one day the door will open, and that light, the Sun of Glory, will flood the whole room.

The gravity of Christ being King is often lost on those of us who have no earthly king. But in the Roman Empire, the tiny church not only survived, but flourished, even amid terrible persecution.

They were willing to die because they knew who the real king was. And they believed He was worth dying for.

King David's men once said to David, ‘You are worth ten thousand of us’ (2 Sam. 18: 3), and we can now say that to our King and make our lives wholly expendable to Him and His cause.

When you know that Christ is the seated and enthroned King, you too will be willing to surrender all your plans and ambitions into His hands.

Perhaps, with the persecuted church, you can even rejoice when you are counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name (Acts 5:41) because we know who the real King is, and He is worthy.”

Rankin Wilbourne,
Union with Christ:

The Way to Know and Enjoy God