

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.; Brian McCready  
Fred Thomason

**Session:** Frank C. Ellis, Jr., *Moderator*;  
Durwood Judah, *Clerk*;  
Billy Blackmon; Wes Brunson;  
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*Elders emeriti*

*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 Psalm 110**, *standing as able*

1. The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit here at my right hand  
2. Your peo - ple free - ly come through-out your day of pow'r;  
3. The Lord at your right hand will shat - ter kings in wrath.

un - til I make your en - e - mies a foot-stool for your feet."  
from morn-ing's dawn in ho - ly robes, your youth are like the dew.  
A - mong the na - tions he will judge, and fill them with their dead.

The LORD from Zi - on sends your scep - ter in its strength,  
The LORD has sworn an oath, and will not change his mind:  
Yes, he will smite and crush chief men in ma - ny lands,

"With might - y pow - er show your rule a - mong your en - e - mies."  
"In th'or - der of Mel - chi - ze - dek, you ev - er are a priest."  
and from the way-side brook he'll drink, in vic' - try lift his head.

**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**

May 28, 2017 11:00 a.m.

Ascension Sunday  
Holy Communion

**The Greeting**

**The Call to Worship**

Hebrews 12:2; 4:14, 16

*Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith...endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession... and with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in a time of need.*

**The Prelude**

**Silent Prayer:** Lord God of Hosts, who dwells in the high and holy place, and also with the one who is of a humble and contrite spirit; Be pleased, we ask, to visit us, your people gathered for worship. Comfort and revive our hearts, and raise us up to yourself through him who has ascended on high, forever to bear our name and nature within the veil, our only Mediator and great Intercessor, Jesus Christ your Son. AMEN.

*Organized to the Glory of God in 1893*

**The Ascription of Praise**, *standing as able* Psalm 47:1, 2, 5, 6; Philippians 2:9-11

Minister: *Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy! For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.*

**People:** *God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!*

Minister: *God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow...and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

**The Hymn 301** Join All the Glorious Names

**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 the Scriptures

Minister: What is the great and first commandment?

**All:** *You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.*

Minister: What is the second commandment like it?

**All:** *You shall love your neighbor as yourself.*

Minister: *On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.* But, what do these two mean?

**All:** *That Love is the fulfilling of the law.*

Minister: And to what does God’s law call us?

**All:** *To a life of faith working through love.*

**The Call to Confession** John 14:15; 1 John 5:3

*If you love me, you will keep my commandments. This is the love of God, that we keep his commandments.*

**The Prayer of Confession**, *minister only*

Holy and Righteous Father, we confess that we have not kept your commandments. We have defiled our minds with evil thoughts, our lips with unkind words, our hands with wrongdoing. We have quenched the gracious leadings of your Spirit and have gone back from the teachings of our Lord Jesus. Have mercy on us; give us grace to lay down our pride and humbly to confess our sins to you now...

**The Individual Confession of Sin**, *in silence*

**The Prayer for Grace and Peace**

**The Assurance of Pardon** Acts 13:38, Ephesians 1:7

*Know this, brothers and sisters: through Jesus Christ forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of God’s grace.*

**The Hymn 164, vv. 1-4**, *standing as able* O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

*All may be seated*

*To Glorify God and to Enjoy Him Forever*

**The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**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** John 15:8

**The Prayer for Illumination**

**The Sermon** Pastor Frank C. Ellis, Jr.

**The Invitation to the Meal and Fencing of the Table**

**The Hymn 378**, *standing as able* Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

**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.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**The Words of Institution** Matthew 26:26-29

*All may be seated*

**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**

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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.

**THE NICENE CREED**

**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.