

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;  
Jeff May  
Earl Griffin, Pete Mosley  
*Elders emerit*

*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**

John 14:27

Minister: *Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you, Jesus says. Not as the world gives do I give to you. The peace of Christ be with you all.*

People: **And also with you.**

**The Prayer of Dedication**

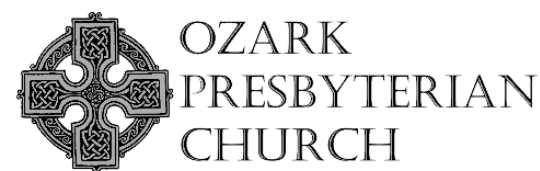
**The Benediction and the People's Amen**

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**

The Apostles' Creed, A.D. 390

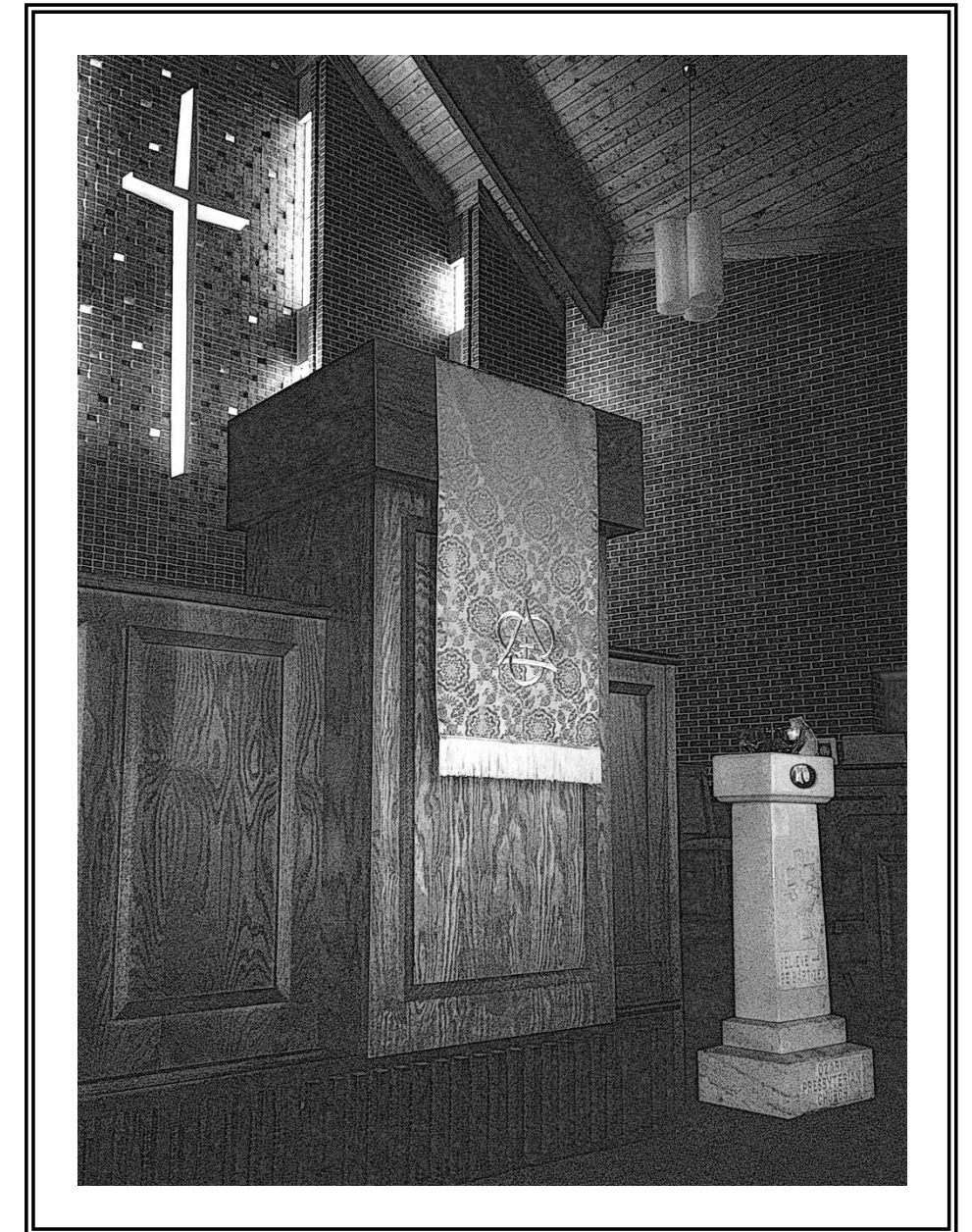


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it imparts understanding to the simple.*

~Psalm 119:130

**THE ORDER FOR DIVINE WORSHIP**

**May 14, 2017 11:00 a.m.**

*Organized to the Glory of God in 1893*

## The Call to Worship

Psalm 119:130; John 1:9

*The unfolding of the Word of the Lord gives light; it imparts understanding to the simple. The true light, who gives light to everyone, has come into the world.*

## The Prelude

***Silent Meditation:*** Almighty God, who has planted the Daystar in the heavens, and scattered the gloom of night, restoring morning to the world; Fill us, we beseech you, with your mercy, so that, because you are you are our Enlightener, all darkness of our souls may be dispersed. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN. (Old Sarum Breviary, 1085)

## The Ascription of Praise, *standing as able*

Psalm 33:1,2,4,5, 18-22

Minister: *Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!*

**People:** ***For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.***

Minister: *Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.*

**People:** ***Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.***

Minister: *Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.*

## The Hymn 310

Rejoice, the Lord is King

## 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 Sung Preparation for Confession, *remaining seated*

Not what my hands have done can save my guilty soul;  
not what my toiling flesh has borne can make my spirit whole.  
Not what I feel or do can give me peace with God;  
not all my prayers and sighs and tears can bear my awful load.

Thy work alone, O Christ, can ease this weight of sin;  
thy blood alone, O Lamb of God, can give me peace within.  
Thy love to me, O God, not mine, O Lord to thee,  
can rid me of this dark unrest, and set my spirit free.

## The Prayer of Confession, *minister only*

Holy and Righteous Father, you have called us to seek first your Kingdom and to find life and liberty in your service. But we have spent our strength serving ourselves first and giving the leftovers to you. Have mercy on us, merciful Lord. Grant that we may examine ourselves sincerely and confess our sins honestly. When, by your Spirit's grace we remember our sins, and the foolishness from which we have not turned, do not let us be beguiled by the craftiness of our own thoughts and begin to excuse ourselves in your presence. Hear us, Lord, and forgive us for Jesus' sake...

*To Glorify God and to Enjoy Him Forever*

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

## The Prayer for Peace and Grace

## The Assurance of Pardon

1 John 4:10, 2:2b; Acts 13:39

*In this is love, not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. And by him, everyone who believes is freed **from everything** from which you could not be freed by the law of Moses.*

## The Sung Response to Forgiveness, *standing as able*

Thy grace alone, O God, to me can pardon speak;  
thy pow'r alone, O Son of God, can this sore bondage break.  
I bless the Christ of God; I rest on love divine;  
and with unfalt'ring lip and heart, I call this Savior mine.

I praise the God of grace; I trust his truth and might;  
he calls me his, I call him mine, my God, my joy, my light.  
'Tis he who saveth me, and freely pardon gives;  
I love because he loveth me, I live because he lives.

## The Prayer for Holiness

*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

John 14:1-14

## The Prayer for Illumination

## The Sermon

Pastor Frank C. Ellis, Jr.

## The Hymn 642, *standing as able*

Be Thou My Vision

*To Glorify God and to Enjoy Him Forever*

## We Proclaim Christ: Who he his What he has done Why he matters

Our worship, quite by design, proclaims the whole Christ through the Word and recalls the death and resurrection of Christ at the Table. In our worship we focus on the victory of Christ over sin and the powers of evil: Our worship reveals the life of Christ, which shows us perfect humanity; the sacrifice of Christ, which brings forgiveness of sin; the death of Christ, in which we die to sin; the resurrection of Christ, in which we rise to a new life; and the ascension and present rule of Christ, in which we are governed and protected from Christ's enemies and ours. And, in all this we see the example of Christ's self-giving love and receive power for our life of faith. It is the whole Christ, the whole work of Christ that we celebrate in worship.... Worship is the Gospel in motion.

~adapted from Robert Webber,  
*Worship Is a Verb*