

C**OVENANT**
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (EPC)

July 5, 2020
The Service for the Lord's Day
10:30 A.M.

The Welcome

The Prelude: "Lead Me, Lord, Lead Me in Thy Righteousness"

*Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.*

*Teach me, Lord, teach me truly how to live, that I may come to know thee,
and in thy presence serve thee with gladness, and sing songs of praise to thy glory.*

***The Call to Worship (responsively): Psalm 124:8; Psalm 115:1**

Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

***The Hymn of Praise #168: "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"**

***The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

The Assurance of Pardon

***The Hymn of Assurance: "And Can It Be, That I Should Gain"**

**And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died he for me who caused his pain?
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?**

*(refrain) Amazing love! How can it be that thou,
my God, shouldst die for me?*

**No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head,
and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own!**
(refrain)

The Special Time for Young Disciples

The Prayer for Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture: Luke 18:9-14

The Proclamation of the Gospel: “The Pharisee and the Tax Collector” Pastor Mabray

The Prayer for a Right Response to God’s Word

***The Affirmation of Faith (responsively): The Apostles’ Creed**

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 at 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 Gloria: “Praise and Glory to the Father”**

**Praise and glory to the Father, Praise and glory to the Son,
Praise and glory to the Spirit: Ever Three and ever One!
One in might and One in glory, While unending ages run!**

The Invitation to Discipleship and Body Life

The Celebrations and Concerns of the Church

A PRAYER FOR THE NATION

**O SOVEREIGN RULER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH,
before whom the nations of the earth are as a drop in a bucket:**

WE THANK YOU for this Constitutional Republic founded upon the precepts and principles revealed in Holy Scripture. We thank you for the courageous men and women who, for the sake of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, mutually pledged their lives, fortunes, and sacred honor, such that we, centuries later, enjoy the benefits of their sacrifice. We thank you for all those who have gone before us who were likewise willing to sacrifice for the cause of liberty and justice, peace, and prosperity of soul.

WE SEEK YOUR FACE on behalf of this nation. We confess that we have forgotten you and have trusted in our own greatness. In your mercy, relent of calamity and do not let your wrath be fully poured-out. Turn us, that we may turn from our wicked ways. We pray that you will preserve this nation in peace, secure her liberties, uphold justice, and prosper those who walk in the paths of truth and righteousness. Expose evil for what it is in the light of truth. Deliver us from lying lips and deceitful schemes. Save us from tyranny and anarchy. Confound those who would destroy the foundations of liberty and justice for all.

RESTORE the foundations. Heal the wounds of history and reconcile today's divisions, and make us instruments of your peace and righteousness. Reform this nation in accordance with your word. Forgive our faithlessness and our failure to make disciples. Send forth your Spirit for a great awakening and real revival, and let this people tremble before you and trust in you; that in our public and corporate life, in our institutions and societal structures, this nation might humble herself before you, and honor and glorify and give thanks to you; through your Son, King Jesus, whose Name is above every name, now and forever. Amen.

The Reception of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

***The Communion Hymn: "Behold the Lamb"**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

***The Communion Invocation (unison):**

O God, who by the blood of your dear Son has consecrated for us a new and living way into the holiest place above all: Cleanse our minds and the secrets of our hearts, by the blood of Christ, that drawing near to you with a pure heart and conscience undefiled, we may receive these your gifts without sin, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Instruction and Invitation to the Table of the Lord

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration, concluding with The Lord's Prayer (in unison):

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 Words of Institution

The Distribution of the Elements

The Prayer of Dedication

***The Hymn #727: "Lead Me, Lord, Lead Me in Thy Righteousness"**

***The Benediction**

***The Congregational Response: "Amen, Amen, Amen"**

***The Postlude**