
REFORMATION DAY SERVICE

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THE TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF OCTOBER
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-THREE
SIX O'CLOCK
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

PRESBYTERY OF THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Welcome and Announcements..... Dr. Strain

The Prelude — “Were You There?” arr. Todd Marchand
The First Presbyterian Brass Ensemble; Nathan Oakley, Director

The Call to Worship Dr. Strain

The Psalm No. 1 — “All People that on Earth Do Dwell”.....(Psalm 100)

The Prayer of Adoration and Confession Dr. Strain

The Assurance of Pardon Dr. Strain

The Doxologytext: Wymond; tune: Darwall
All praise we give to God, the Holy Trinity.
We praise the Father, Son and Spirit joyfully.
Creator God, our Shepherd, Savior, Lord and King;
To Thee we sing!

Sola Scriptura

The First Lesson — 2 Peter 1:16—21Mr. Gault

The Confession of Faith — *The Westminster Shorter Catechism* Q. 1-3

- Q. What is the chief end of man?
A. **Man’s chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy Him forever.**
- Q. What rule hath God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?
A. **The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.**
- Q. What do the Scriptures principally teach?
A. **The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God, and what duty God requires of man.**

The Anthem — “O Word of God” arr. Craig Courtney
Margaret Sprow, Director; Kathryn Edwards, Piano; Rae Shannon, Organ

O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high.
O Truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky.
We praise You for the radiance that from the hallowed page,
A Lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age.
The church from You, our Savior, received the gift divine,
And still that light is lifted o’er all the earth to shine.
It is the sacred vessel where gems of truth are stored;
It is the heaven-drawn picture of Christ, the living Word.
The Scripture is a banner, before God’s host unfurled;

It is a shining beacon above the darkening world.
It is the chart and compass that o'er life's surging tide,
Mid mists and rocks and quicksands, to You, O Christ will guide.
O make Your church, dear Savior, a lamp of purest gold,
To bear before the nations, Your true light as of old.
O teach Your wandering pilgrims by this their path to trace,
Till, clouds and darkness eternal, they see You face to face.
Amen.

Sola Gratia

The Second Lesson — Ephesians 2:1-10 Mr. Mills

The Pastoral Prayer

The Hymn No. 92 — “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” (Psalm 95)

Sola Fide

The Third Lesson — Galatians 3:1-14 Mr. Wright

The Confession of Faith — *The Westminster Shorter Catechism* Q. 85-87

Q. What doth God require of us, that we may escape his wrath and curse, due to us for sin?

A. To escape the wrath and curse of God, due to us for sin, God requireth of us faith in Jesus Christ, repentance unto life, with the diligent use of all the outward means whereby Christ communicateth to us the benefits of redemption.

Q. What is faith in Jesus Christ?

A. Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, whereby we receive and rest upon him alone for salvation, as he is offered to us in the gospel.

Q. What is repentance unto life?

A. Repentance unto life is a saving grace, whereby a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin, and apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, doth, with grief and hatred of his sin, turn from it unto God, with full purpose of, and endeavor after, new obedience.

The Hymn No. 472 — “Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched”

Sola Christus

The Fourth Lesson — Romans 5:1-11 Mr. Cangelosi

The Confession of Faith — *The Westminster Shorter Catechism* Q. 21-23

Q. Who is the redeemer of God's elect?

A. The only redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.

- Q. How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?
 A. Christ, the Son of God, became man, by taking to himself a true body, and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost in the womb of the virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.
- Q. What offices doth Christ execute as our redeemer?
 A. Christ, as our redeemer, executeth the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.

The Hymn No. 521 — “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

The Scripture Reading — Romans 3:21–26 Dr. Baugus

The Sermon — The Just Justifier of the Unjust Dr. Baugus

Sola Deo Gloria

The Psalm No. 12 — “Exalt the Lord, His Praise Proclaim”
 (Psalm 135:1-7, 21)

The Fifth Lesson — Jude 24-25 Dr. Strain

The Benediction

The Postlude — “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”arr. Philip Neumann

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