

## Lord's Day Worship

August 21, 2022

\*(Asterisk) indicates *Please stand as you are able.*

### PRAISE

\* Call to Worship Psalm 96:6-7

\* Opening Hymn "Come, People of the Risen King"

### RENEWAL

\* Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Gracious God, you have given us the law of Moses and the teachings of Jesus to direct us in the way of life. You offer us your Holy Spirit so that we can be born to new life as your children. Yet, O God, we confess that the ways of death have a strong attraction and that we often succumb to their lure. Give us the vision and courage to choose and nurture life, that we may receive your blessing. Amen.** (silent prayer)

\* Assurance of Pardon Acts 10:43

All the prophets testify about Christ that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

**Thanks be to God!**

\* Song "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me"

Pastoral Prayer & 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.**

Offering *Doxology*

### THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 33:10-24

\* Psalter Hymn "Who Can Walk as God's Companion"

Psalter Reading Psalm 15

Sermon "Where is God's Presence"

### COMMITMENT

\*Affirmation of Faith Second Helvetic Confession

Why was the law given?

**The law *was not* given to men so they might be justified by keeping the law. Rather, it teaches us our weaknesses, sin, and condemnation. The law points towards the need to be converted to Christ. The apostle declares "the law brings wrath" and "through the law comes knowledge of sin" (Romans 3:20, 4:15). If the law had been given to justify or make alive, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. But Scripture has concluded that all are under sin and the promise was that the faith of Jesus might be given to those who believe. Therefore, the law was our schoolmaster unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith (Galatians 3:31).**

\* Closing Song "Let This Be My Supreme Desire"

\* Benediction

\* Dismissal

Church, where are you going?

**We go forth to serve God's world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.**

Glory to God!

### "Where is God's Presence"

#### Psalm 15

#### Opening - What is Perfection?

#### The Text - A Psalm for the Imperfect seeking Perfection

A) Psalm 15:1 - Question: Who Shall Enter Into God's Presence?

B) Psalm 15:2 - Positive Conditions

C) Psalm 15:3-5 - Negative Conditions

**Our Problem?** We want to achieve perfection on our own accord. We prefer the bottom up (man centered) approach as opposed to the top down (God centered) approach.

#### Application - The Quest for Perfection

A) Worshipping the Perfect One

B) A Kingdom of Priests: What is biblical transformation?

C) Glorification

#### Conclusion - Summons to Reflect

**Challenge and Charge:** Take some time this week to meditate on how the Lord has transformed you into Christ's image over the years (Romans 8:29). How have you (and the work of the Spirit!) worked out your salvation with fear and trembling (Philippians 2:12)? As you look back over your life and your transformation into Christ's image, rejoice in the goodness of God manifested towards you over the course of your life!



# CHRIST

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“...so that Jesus Christ might come to have first place in everything.” Colossians 1:18 (b) NRSV

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August 21, 2022 | Rev. Douglas Kortyna  
“Where is God’s Presence”  
Psalm 15

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