

# A Congregation of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

#### Lord's Day Service March 23, 2025

Welcome & Announcements

Introit	Lead Me, Lord	Choir
	God Calls Us	
*Call to Worship	Psalm 132:11, 13-18	
<sup>II</sup> The LORD swore t	o David a sure oath from which he will not turn back:	

"One of the Sons of your body I will set on your throne.

<sup>13</sup>For the LORD has chosen Zion; He has desired it for His dwelling place:

<sup>14</sup>"This is My resting place forever; here I will dwell, for I have desired it.

<sup>15</sup>I will abundantly bless her provisions; I will satisfy her poor with bread.

# <sup>16</sup>Her priests I will clothe with salvation, and her saints will shout for joy.

<sup>17</sup>There I will make a horn to sprout for David; I have prepared a lamp for My Messiah.

#### <sup>18</sup>His enemies I will clothe with shame, but on Him His crown will shine."

#### \*Invocation

### The Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9-13

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.

\*Hymn #II6

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

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#### God Cleanses Us -

Reading of the Law Catechism for Young Children 86-90

What is the fourth commandment?

The fourth commandment is, Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested on the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.

What does the fourth commandment teach us?

To keep the Sabbath holy.

What day of the week is the Christian Sabbath?

The first day of the week, called the Lord's day.

Why is it called the Lord's day?

#### Because on that day Christ rose from the dead.

How should the Sabbath be spent?

In prayer and praise, in hearing and reading God's word, and in doing good to our fellow-men.

### Prayer of Confession & Supplication

Lord of the Sabbath, You have given us the gift of a holy day, yet we have neglected to keep it. We have treated it as common, pursuing our own desires instead of delighting in You. Forgive us for failing to rest in Your provision and worship You as You command. Renew our hearts, that we may treasure the Lord's Day and find joy in Your presence. Through Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon	Matthew 11:28-30	
*Hymn #183	Love Lifted Me	SAFETY

God Consecrates Us				
Old Testament Reading	1 Samuel 6			
Children's Word				
*Psalm 3 O	Lord, How Are My Foes Increased	NEW BRITAIN		
New Testament Reading Galatians 1:1-10				
Sermon	How the Church is Purified	Rev. Reid Roberson		
Prayer of Intercession				
*Confession of Faith	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 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.

*Gloria Patri #436		GREATOREX
Offertory		
*Doxology #434		OLD 100TH
*Offertory Prayer		
	— God Commissions Us —	
*Hymn #239 (vv. I & 4)	Grace Greater than Our Sins	MOODY

\*Benediction

\*Departure Hymn

Numbers 6:24-26 Shalom to You

SOMOS DEL SENOR

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends. In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom; Christ be your shalom.

\*The congregation is invited to stand.

#### Announcements

**Congregational Meeting** will be **next Sunday, March 30,** immediately following the worship service. The purpose is to elect new officers.

The Lord's Supper will be served in two weeks on April 6.

**EPiC Youth Camp** is June 2-6 at Seashore Assembly in Biloxi. Speak to Reid if your child is interested. Cost is \$150.

# Holy Week Services

Good Friday Service 6:00 PM on Friday Sunrise Service 6:30 AM on Sunday Lord's Day Service II:00 AM on Sunday

Sunday school will not meet on Easter morning.

# Prayer List

Family of Melvin Lister, Buddy Davis, Anedra Brown, Lindy McMillan, Elaine Gabel, Leighton Wilson, Donna Pederson, Katie Kitrell, Donna McIntosh, Gail Stuck

# Upcoming Birthdays

Mike Ross (Mar. 27), Harper James (Apr. 10), Joe James (Apr. 12) Grant Bauml (Apr. 17), Leslie Bauml (Apr. 23)

# Session of Elders

Jeff Allen Joe James Sudie Copeland, treasurer Frances Forsyth, clerk

> Rev. Reid Roberson, pastor (60I) 813-2228 reid@vernalpc.org

Nancy McIntosh, pianist/organist