

A Congregation of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

LORD'S DAY SERVICE AUGUST 17, 2025

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Welcome & Announcements

*Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-9

¹Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!

²Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

³Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

⁴For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.

 $^5\mbox{For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens.}$

⁶Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

⁷Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,

ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

⁸Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;

bring an offering, and come into his courts!

⁹Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;

tremble before him, all the earth!

*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 #34I

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

NICAEA

- God Cleanses Us ——

Reading of the Law

James 1:22-25

Prayer of Confession & Supplication

O God, have mercy on us according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin! For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Purge us with hyssop, and we shall be clean; wash us, and we shall be whiter than snow. Let us hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice. Hide your face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Cast us not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Matthew 11:28-30

*Hymn #284

Only Trust Him

STOCKTON

God Consecrates Us -

Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 20:1-23

Children's Word

*Psalm 133

Behold, How Good a Thing It Is

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Sermon Scripture

Zechariah 1:1-6

Sermon

Return to Me

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

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Offertory

*Doxology #434

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*Offertory Prayer



^{*}The congregation is invited to stand.

Announcements

Choir & Prayer Meeting meet Wednesday at 5:30 & 6:30 PM.

Operation Christmas Child is coming up soon! Be sure to start collecting items, including school supplies.

Local missions opportunities are available!

- Antioch's Food Pantry
- PROMISS Pregnancy Care
- Backpack Buddies

Prayer List

Karen Allen, Georgia Walker, Larry Owens, Jeremiah Smith, Cathy Presley, Julianne Allgood, Annie Ruth Thigpen, Kent Fairley, Wanda Childress, Elaine Gabel, Leighton Wilson, Katie Kitrell, Donna McIntosh, Gail Stuck

Session of Elders

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