

## Order of Worship

JULY 2, 2023

### **Meditation: Proverbs 15:16**

Better is a little with the fear of the LORD than great treasure and trouble with it.

### **Songs of Adoration - 2**

#### **Call to Worship: Ezekiel 34:26-31**

“And I will make them and the places all around my hill a blessing, and I will send down the showers in their season; they shall be showers of blessing. And the trees of the field shall yield their fruit, and the earth shall yield its increase, and they shall be secure in their land. And they shall know that I am the LORD, when I break the bars of their yoke, and deliver them from the hand of those who enslaved them. They shall no more be a prey to the nations, nor shall the beasts of the land devour them. They shall dwell securely, and none shall make them afraid. And I will provide for them renowned plantations so that they shall no more be consumed with hunger in the land, and no longer suffer the reproach of the nations. And they shall know that I am the LORD their God with them, and that they, the house of Israel, are my people, declares the Lord GOD. And you are my sheep, human sheep of my pasture, and I am your God,” declares the Lord GOD.

### **Prayer of Adoration**

#### **Confession of Sin**

L - We ourselves were once foolish and disobedient. We were easily led astray.

We were slaves to passion and pleasure, malice and envy.

C - Forgive us when we defy Your authority.

L - You saved us, not because of our own good works, but by Your mercy.

C - Forgive us when we speak evil and when we lack courtesy for others.

L - You washed us and renewed us with Your Spirit.

C - Forgive us when we have no self-control.

L - You justified us by Your grace alone, and You made us Your children.

C - Forgive us when we create divisions and quarrel among ourselves.

Purify us, O God.

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

L - There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

C - This is the truth. Praise the Lord!

*(from 45<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, adapted from Romans 8:1)*

## **Songs of Worship - 2**

### **Offering and Doxology**

#### **O.T. Reading: Isaiah 33:1-6**

Ah, you destroyer, who yourself have not been destroyed, you traitor, whom none has betrayed! When you have ceased to destroy, you will be destroyed; and when you have finished betraying, they will betray you. O LORD, be gracious to us; we wait for you. Be our arm every morning, our salvation in the time of trouble. At the tumultuous noise peoples flee; when you lift yourself up, nations are scattered, and your spoil is gathered as the caterpillar gathers, as locusts leap, it is leapt upon. The LORD is exalted, for he dwells on high; he will fill Zion with justice and righteousness, and he will be the stability of your times, abundance of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge the fear of the LORD is Zion's treasure.

*Reader: "The Word of the Lord"*

*Congregation: "Thanks Be to God"*

### **Welcome / Announcements**

### **Dismissal of Children to Children's Church**

### **Greeting Time**

### **Song of Preparation**

#### **Sermon Text: Matthew 6:19-24**

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, <sup>20</sup> but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. <sup>22</sup> "The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, <sup>23</sup> but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! <sup>24</sup> "No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.

**Sermon Title: "How's Your Heart?"**

### **Song of Response**

### **Benediction**