

1 SAMUEL

THE FALL
OF ELI
&
THE RISE
OF SAMUEL

1 SAMUEL 2:12-18, 21-26,
30-35, 3:1, 19-21, 4:1A



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | August 20, 2023

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SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

Abide

CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 96:1-6 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | 1 John 4:7-12 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

At The Foot Of The Cross

PRAISE & CELEBRATION

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

Only A Holy God

It Is Done

CONFESSION OF FAITH

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

From the New City Catechism:

- Q. 33. Should those who have faith in Christ seek their salvation through their own works, or anywhere else?
- A. No, they should not, as everything necessary to salvation is found in Christ. To seek salvation through good works is a denial that Christ is the only Redeemer and Savior.

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

We are called to publicly confess our faith in the grace of God, to participate in the rituals of entrance into the people of God and to acknowledge our membership with His people.

Sami McAdams

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - 5th Graders)

Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

GREETING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | *Brown Peterson, Pastor of Students & Young Adults*

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

God Is Love

BENEDICTION

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace,
both now and forevermore. Amen.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: 1 Samuel 2:12-18, 21-26, 30-35, 3:1, 19-21, 4:1a

Title: The Fall of Eli & Rise of Samuel

Teacher: Brown Peterson

2:12 Now the sons of Eli were worthless men. They did not know the LORD. 13 The custom of the priests with the people was that when any man offered sacrifice, the priest's servant would come, while the meat was boiling, with a three-pronged fork in his hand, 14 and he would thrust it into the pan or kettle or cauldron or pot. All that the fork brought up the priest would take for himself. This is what they did at Shiloh to all the Israelites who came there. 15 Moreover, before the fat was burned, the priest's servant would come and say to the man who was sacrificing, "Give meat for the priest to roast, for he will not accept boiled meat from you but only raw." 16 And if the man said to him, "Let them burn the fat first, and then take as much as you wish," he would say, "No, you must give it now, and if not, I will take it by force." 17 Thus the sin of the young men was very great in the sight of the LORD, for the men treated the offering of the LORD with contempt. 18 Samuel was ministering before the LORD, a boy clothed with a linen ephod. ... 21 Indeed the LORD visited Hannah, and she conceived and bore three sons and two daughters. And the boy Samuel grew in the presence of the LORD. 22 Now Eli was very old, and he kept hearing all that his sons were doing to all Israel, and how they lay with the women who were serving at the entrance to the tent of meeting. 23 And he said to them, "Why do you do such things? For I hear of your evil dealings from all these people. 24 No, my sons; it is no good report that I hear the people of the LORD spreading abroad. 25 If someone sins against a man, God will mediate for him, but if someone sins against the LORD, who can intercede for him?" But they would not listen to the voice of their father, for it was the will of the LORD to put them to death. 26 Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favor with the LORD and also with man. ... 30 Therefore the LORD, the God of Israel, declares: 'I promised that your house and the house of your father should go in and out before me forever,' but now the LORD declares: 'Far be it from me, for those who honor me I will honor, and those who despise me shall be lightly esteemed. 31 Behold, the days are coming when I will cut off your strength and the strength of your father's house, so that there will not be an old man in your house. 32 Then in distress you will look with envious eye on all the prosperity that shall be bestowed on Israel, and there shall not be an old man in your house forever. 33 The only one of you whom I shall not cut off from my altar shall be spared to weep his eyes out to grieve his heart, and all the descendants of your house shall die by the sword of men. 34 And this that shall come upon your two sons, Hophni and Phinehas, shall be the sign to you: both of them shall die on the same day. 35 And I will raise up for myself a faithful priest, who shall do according to what is in my heart and in my mind. And I will build him a sure house, and he shall go in and out before my anointed forever. ... 3:1 Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD in the presence of Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision. ... 19 And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. 20 And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD. 21 And the LORD appeared again at Shiloh, for the LORD revealed himself to Samuel at Shiloh by the word of the LORD. ... 4:1a And the word of Samuel came to all Israel.

SPIRITUAL EMPTINESS OF ISRAEL

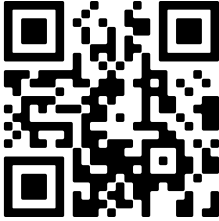
GOD'S DETERMINED SOLUTION

THE TRUE PROPHET, PRIEST AND KING

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Praise and adore God for His faithfulness! Worship the fact that God is faithful to His Word and His people always to provide and send forth His gospel.
2. Where have you felt your heart grow numb or cold to the Lord? Worship God and confess your sins where His Word, ways, design, or call on your life has no weight on you.
3. Give thanks to Jesus, the true Prophet, Priest, and King who cares for you! Ponder all of the ways He intercedes for you in prayer, praise Him for being your great sacrifice, and reflect on how He leads and protects you with His leadership.
4. Who in your life has rebelled against Jesus with their lives and beliefs? Pray they would stop, turn, and behold Jesus as the great love they seek.
5. Ask the Spirit to bring to mind ways to follow His call and enjoy where He is leading.

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Middle School Game Night

September 8, 5p

Contact [Brown Peterson](#) for information.



Women's Bible Study - Fall Semester

Starting September 12 & 13.

Contact [JoAnn Johnson](#) for information.



FRAT jr

September 15 - November 15, 6-7:30p.

Contact [Callie Sandman](#) for information.

Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

August 21-26, 2023

(3-year plan: read [blue](#) passages | 1-year plan: read [all](#))

Monday	2 John Nehemiah 13	Deuteronomy 13 Ezekiel 34
Tuesday	3 John Esther 1	Deuteronomy 14 Ezekiel 35
Wednesday	Revelation 1 Esther 2	Deuteronomy 15 Ezekiel 36
Thursday	Revelation 2 Esther 3	Deuteronomy 16 Ezekiel 37
Friday	Revelation 3 Esther 4	Deuteronomy 17 Ezekiel 38
Saturday	Psalm 87	Psalm 35 Psalm 132

Scripture Memory for the Week:

1 Samuel 2:35 (ESV)

35 And I will raise up for myself a faithful priest, who shall do according to what is in my heart and in my mind. And I will build him a sure house, and he shall go in and out before me anointed forever.

Office Hours:

Mon - Fri | 8:30a - 5:00p

Sunday Worship | 8:45a & 10:30a

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