CHRIST the SHEPHERD PCA

July 28, 2024

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Invocation

*Hymns and Songs of Worship and Adoration

I Sing the Mighty Power of God (TH #119)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (TH #92)

*Confession of Faith – Nicene Creed

*Old Testament Scripture – Exodus 20:1 – 19

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Declaration of Absolution

Pastoral Prayer

*Worship through giving back to God

God, in the Gospel of His Son (TH #141)

Sermon – Slave Labor

John 13:1 – 20

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Music for Meditation

Praise the Savior Now and Ever (TH #243)

*Closing Song – Praise the Savior Now and Ever (TH #243)

*Doxology (TH #731)

*Benediction

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wandering, deeper than all our sin. Forgive our careless attitudes toward your purposes, our refusal to relieve the suffering of others, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, our neglect of your wide and gracious law. Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Food for Thought

"As the meal gets underway an astonishing scene is enacted. Proper etiquette, generally more important in the East than in the West, taught that guests, begrimed from journeying through the dusty streets, should, on arrival, have their feet washed by a slave. This was a particularly humble task, included in a list of works which a Jewish slave should not be required to perform. As they commence the meal with feet as yet unwashed, since apparently none of the disciples are prepared to fulfill the duty (one does not wash the feet of peers!), Jesus himself rises, divests himself of his outer clothing, girds himself with a towel, and proceeds to wash and then dry his disciples' feet."

— Bible Speaks Today Commentary on John