CHRIST the SHEPHERD PCA

October 13, 2024

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Invocation

*Hymns and Songs of Worship and Adoration

We Gather Together (#363)

With Songs and Honors Sounding Loud (#127)

*Confession of Faith – The Apostles' Creed

*Old Testament Scripture – Isaiah 9:6 – 7

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Declaration of Absolution

Pastoral Prayer

*Worship through giving back to God

Crown Him with Many Crowns (#295)

Sermon – Jesus Prays for You, Part One

John 17:1 – 5

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Closing Song – One There Is, above All Others (#186)

*Gloria Patri (TH #735)

*Benediction

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Food For Thought

“Perhaps the most interesting way to view this prayer is as a *model* of His High Priestly intercession for us, which He continually makes in the immediate presence of God, on the ground of His completed and accepted sacrifice. The first intimation of this is found in the presence of His disciples. He prayed that their interests might be secured, but He prayed audibly that they should be aware of this, that they might know what a wondrous place they had in His affections, that they might be assured that all His influence with the Father would be employed for their advantage.”

- Arthur W. Pink, Exposition of the Gospel of John