



# LIVING STONE

## REFORMED CHURCH

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## *September 7, 2025*

### **Next Week**

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

#### **LIVING STONE REFORMED CHURCH | 9:30 AM**

NSA NORTH CAMPUS (112 N. MAIN ST) | BEN ZORNES

#### **CHRIST CHURCH | 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM**

CHURCH HALL (820 DOMINION WAY) | DOUGLAS WILSON

#### **KING'S CROSS CHURCH | 8:00 & 9:30 AM**

8:00 | NUART THEATER (516 S. MAIN ST) | TOBY SUMPTER

9:30 | LOGOS FIELDHOUSE (1221 W. A ST) | TOBY SUMPTER

#### **CHRIST THE REDEEMER CHURCH | 9:00 AM**

YE OLDE BANK (424 S. MAIN, TROY) | JOSHUA DOCKTER

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

2 CHRONICLES 1:6-12, COLOSSIANS 1:3-12

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS & MEDITATION

#### - CALL TO WORSHIP -

*Please stand.*

### ADORATION

Minister: Grace, mercy, and peace to you, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: And also to you.**

### SCRIPTURE

Psalm 95:6-7

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

**Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord!**

### PRAYER

### HYMN

*O, Let My Name Engraven Stand.....380*

#### - CONFESSION -

*Please sit.*

EXHORTATION.....*Ben Zornes*

### PSALM

*Unto the Lord I Cried and Pleaded*

**Bulletin/Song Packet**

### CONFESSION OF SIN

*Congregation is invited to kneel if able.*

Psalm 81:11-12

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Please stand.*

Ezekiel 34:23-24

Minister: Your sins are forgiven through Christ.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

### CONFESSION OF FAITH

*Apostles Creed.....712*

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

**Congregation: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Ghost, and born of the virgin, Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hades. On the third day He rose again from the dead, ascended into Heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He will come to judge the living 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.**

### RESPONSIVE READING: PSALM 41

Minister: Blessed is he that considers the poor:

**Congregation: The Lord will deliver him in time of trouble.**

Minister: I said, Lord, be merciful unto me:

**Congregation: Heal my soul; for I have sinned against You.**

Minister: Yes, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted,

**Congregation: Who ate my bread, has lifted up his heel against me.**

Minister: But You, O Lord, be merciful to me,

**Congregation: And raise me up, that I may requite them.**

Minister: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting, and to everlasting.

**Congregation: Amen, and Amen.**

### HYMN

*My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker!.....193*

## - CONSECRATION -

### SCRIPTURE READING

*(Ben Zornes)*

Psalm 23:1-6, John 10:7-16

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

### BAPTISM

*Elliot Michael Tullsen*

Congregational charge: Little child, for you Jesus Christ came to this earth, struggled and suffered; for your sake He crossed Gethsemane and went through the darkness of Calvary; for your sake He cried: 'It is finished'; for your sake He died and for your sake He overcame death; indeed for your sake, little child, and you still know nothing of it. And thus the word of the apostle is confirmed: "We love God, for He loved us first." Amen.

### HYMN

*Please sit.*

*Our God, Our Help in Ages Past.....403*

### CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*(Ben Zornes)*

Opening: Psalm 77:19-20

Thanksgiving: Psalm 79:13

Petitions: Psalm 79:11-12

### HYMN

*Please stand.*

*Your Kindness Is Forever Sure.....228t*

### SERMON

*Please sit.*

*Spirit Before Vibe.....Ben Merkle*

### PRAYER

Ending with *The Lord's Prayer.....725*

### OFFERTORY

*Please stand*

*Psalm 23.....43*

## - COMMUNION -

*Please sit.*

MEDITATION.....*Ben Zornes*

### THE BREAD

*Let Christian Faith and Hope Dispel.....415a*

### THE WINE

*Let Christian Faith and Hope Dispel.....415b*

## - COMMISSIONING -

*Please stand.*

### CLOSING DOXOLOGY

*The congregation may raise hands.*

*Doxology.....734*

### CHARGE & BENEDICTION

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessings of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon, and remain with you always. Amen.

## "MAY I COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE?"

The Lord's Supper is observed every Lord's Day at Living Stone. We warmly invite to the Lord's table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church. Since the elders are responsible for the table, when a baptized child begins taking the Lord's Supper, we ask a parent to notify one of the elders. By eating the bread and drinking the wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. You also acknowledge to the elders of this congregation that you are in covenant with God, being active in a congregation which is covenantally bound to the triune God through Word and sacrament. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to the elders before or after the service.

## SPIRIT BEFORE VIBE / ACTS 5:29-39

### ACTS 5:29-39

Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.

30 The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree.

31 Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

32 And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

33 When they heard that, they were cut to the heart, and took counsel to slay them.

34 Then stood there up one in the council, a Pharisee, named Gamaliel, a doctor of the law, had in reputation among all the people, and commanded to put the apostles forth a little space;

35 And said unto them, Ye men of Israel, take heed to yourselves what ye intend to do as touching these men.

36 For before these days rose up Theudas, boasting himself to be somebody; to whom a number of men, about four hundred, joined themselves: who was slain; and all, as many as obeyed him, were scattered, and brought to nought.

37 After this man rose up Judas of Galilee in the days of the taxing, and drew away much people after him: he also perished; and all, even as many as obeyed him, were dispersed.

38 And now I say unto you, Refrain from these men, and let them alone: for if this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought:

39 But if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it; lest haply ye be found even to fight against God.