

**Order of Worship
OCTOBER 19, 2025**

*** Meditation: John 6:68-69**

Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

Songs of Adoration – 2

Call to Worship: Isaiah 61:1-7

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to grant to those who mourn in Zion — to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified. They shall build up the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. Strangers shall stand and tend your flocks; foreigners shall be your plowmen and vinedressers; but you shall be called the priests of the Lord; they shall speak of you as the ministers of our God; you shall eat the wealth of the nations, and in their glory you shall boast. Instead of your shame there shall be a double portion; instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their lot; therefore in their land they shall possess a double portion; they shall have everlasting joy.

Prayer of Adoration

*** Confession of Sin**

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. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us to grow more and more in Your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

(adapted from the Book of Common Worship)

*** Moment of Individual Silent Confession**

*** Assurance of Pardon**

Hear the words of our Lord Jesus: "Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Brothers and sisters, the pardon of Christ is a grace that is greater than all our sin. You are forgiven.

(adapted from Matthew 11:28-30)

Songs of Worship – 2

Offering and Doxology

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-22

“The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers — it is to him you shall listen— just as you desired of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, ‘Let me not hear again the voice of the Lord my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.’ And the Lord said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.’ And if you say in your heart, ‘How may we know the word that the Lord has not spoken?’ — when a prophet speaks in the name of the Lord, if the word does not come to pass or come true, that is a word that the Lord has not spoken; the prophet has spoken it presumptuously. You need not be afraid of him.”

Reader: “The Word of the Lord”

Congregation: “Thanks Be to God”

*** New City Catechism**

Question 42: How is the Word of God to be read and heard?

(Congregation): With diligence, preparation, and prayer; so that we may accept it with faith, store it in our hearts, and practice it in our lives.

*** Welcome / Announcements**

*** Children’s Church Dismissal**

Greeting Time

Song of Preparation

Sermon Text: Luke 24:13-35

*** Sermon Title: “Jesus: A Prophet Mighty in Deed and Word”** *(Jim Womer)*

Song of Response

Benediction