

Lord's Day Worship

October 17, 2021

*(Asterisk) indicates *Please stand as you are able.*

PRAISE

*Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn

Come, People of the Risen King

RENEWAL

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Mighty God, your Word penetrates our hearts and exposes the truth about our thoughts and intentions. It uncovers our self-confidence and self-centeredness, as well as the secret sins we try to hide. We harbor hatred and anger for those around us, along with jealousy and pride. Jesus, thank you that you came to redeem our rebel hearts. Your heart was always perfectly aligned with the Father's Word. Cleanse our hearts and fill us with your Holy Spirit, that our love for you and one another will bring glory to your holy name. (silent prayer)

*Song

His Mercy is More

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Minute for Mission "Operation Christmas Child" Boxes

COMMITMENT

Offering & Song

We Lift Our Voices

New Testament Reading

Ephesians 1:3-10

*Hymn

It Is Well with My Soul

Old Testament Reading

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Sermon

"Chosen!"

*Affirmation of Faith – The Apostles' Creed (c. 3rd century)
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy universal Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Closing Song

Lord Jesus, We Must Know You

*Benediction

*Dismissal

Church, where are you going?

We go forth to serve God's world as those who love our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Glory to God!

Stewardship 2021 - "We Are an Offering"

Commitment Sunday - Nov. 14

The first known Christian fund drive was conducted by the Apostle Paul in the New Testament. He went to the relatively affluent churches of Greece and Asia Minor to ask an offering for the desperately poor church of Jerusalem. The Jerusalem church was poor because it was the church of Jesus, who loved and welcomed the poor.

The Christians of Macedonia (Greece) gave generously, and Paul commended them: *"They gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own free will."* And the source of their generosity was this: *"They gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us"* (2 Corinthians 8:3-5).

The first step of Christian giving has nothing to do with a check book or debit card. It is a matter of the heart. The Christians of Macedonia *gave themselves first to the Lord.* Their first commitment was to Jesus, everything else followed. Jesus said, *Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also* (Matthew 6:21).

As you consider your giving for 2022, I pray that you will give yourself *first to the Lord.* When we consider what God has done for us in the gift of his Son, our first response must be to give our whole selves. This puts our financial giving in a whole new light. We are an offering.

*We lift our voices,
We lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to you,
We are an offering,*

Pastor Phil Moran



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“...so that Jesus Christ might come to have first place in everything.” Colossians 1:18 (b) NRSV

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