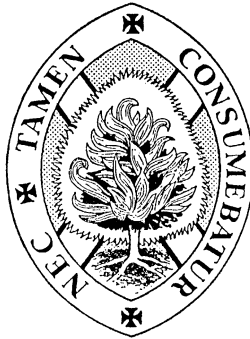


LORD'S DAY
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to the congregation's preparation for worship, and please make sure
all electronic devices are turned off or set to silent mode.*

-DRAWING NEAR TO GOD-

Welcome and Silent Prayer

O God, who makes Thyself known in the stillness: Make me to know Thy presence in this sacred place; make me to be of the company of brave saints who have worshiped here in spirit and in truth. Through the voices of men and the instruments of praise lift my heart to Thee and so purify my life that, going forth, I may go in Thy strength and love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 103.1-5

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Song of Praise to God**

Hymn No. 53

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

-HAVING OUR HEARTS CLEANSED-

Confession of Sin

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess that we are prone to evil and slothful in good. You alone know how often we have offended you: in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. But you, O Lord, have mercy on those who are ashamed of and sorry for their iniquities. Teach us to hate our offenses; cleanse us from our secret faults; forgive us our sins for the sake of your dear Son. And O most loving Father, help us, we pray, to live in your light and walk in your ways, in keeping with the commandments of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silently Add Your Own Confession of Sin

***Song of Praise to Christ**

Hymn No. 305

ARISE, MY SOUL, ARISE

***Confession of Faith**

What is God?

God is the creator and sustainer of everyone and everything. He is eternal, infinite, and unchangeable in his power and perfection, goodness and glory, wisdom, justice, and truth. Nothing happens except through him and by his will.¹

—The New City Catechism, No. 2

The Celebration of Baptism

Charlie Elizabeth Roggiero

Explanation and Exhortation

Questions

1. Do you understand that you are a sinner and that Jesus died on the cross to pay for your sin and to give you eternal life?
2. Have you taken Jesus as your Savior and are you trusting in him alone for your salvation?

Baptism and Prayer

¹ “There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God...But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness” (Ps 86.8-10, 15).

Congregational Petitions and 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 also have forgiven 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.

-ATTENDING TO THE WORD-

Scripture Lesson

Revelation 1.1-5

Sermon

"The Apocalypse"
Rev. Ron Gonzales

***Song of Response**

Hymn No. 310

REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING

Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings

**DOXOLOGY*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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-OBSERVING THE SACRAMENT-

The Lord's Supper

We celebrate the Lord's Supper by coming forward and partaking of the bread and the cup. Wine is served in the inner rings of each tray; grape juice in the outer ring. We warmly invite to the Table all baptized Christians who are living under the authority of Christ and his body, the Church. By eating the bread and drinking of the cup, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Christ alone for salvation. If this does not describe you, we are glad you are here and commend to you the following prayers for your use during this time.

A Prayer for those Searching for the Truth

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life you promise. Amen.

A Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

A Prayer for those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need and may turn from every false pleasure to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

***Song of Thanksgiving**

Hymn No. 295

CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

-GOING FORTH TO SERVE-

***Benediction**

Numbers 6.24-26

Postlude

*Please stand if able

Our Nursery Helpers

Today: Jenni Early

Next Week: Kathleen Martin

Gatherings

A Children's Catechism Class, taught by Ronnie Curfman and Pastor Ron, meets the first and third Thursdays of each month, during the school year, from 3:30 to 5:00 PM, at the church.

The Tuesday Night Home Fellowship Group, led by Eric Carpenter and Pastor Ron, meets at Kathy Martin's (213 Chapra St) on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. They are studying the Book of Revelation, considering each passage before it is preached. Everyone is welcome.

A Men's Leadership Bible Study, led by Kirk Alden, meets at Tate's Umapine Mercantile on Tuesdays, from 6:00 to 7:00 PM. All men are invited. For more information, talk to Kirk.

The Men's Group meets Wednesdays, from 6:00 to 7:30 AM in the chapel, for Bible study, fellowship and prayer. The group is studying Joshua and all men are invited.

Prayer Meeting: We meet the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, at 5:15 PM in the chapel, to pray for one another, the kingdom, and our world. Please join us.

The Women's Study, led by Cherry Gonzales and Christina McBean, meets Thursdays, from 3:30 to 5:00 PM, in the chapel. The group is studying James and all are invited.

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Sermon Notes: “The Apocalypse” (Revelation 1.1-5)

Prayer Concerns

The Christian Aid Center cares for those in our community who are hurting and in need. Pray that God continues to use its staff and volunteers to convey his love and grace to many.

Mike Givens is recovering and rehabbing from surgery at Regency at the Park. Pray for a complete recovery and that he will soon be able to go home.

Chris & Mary Granberry (White Swan): Pray for the Granberrys and the Sacred Road team as they share the gospel with the Yakama people, that their words and deeds bring hope and healing to many on the reservation.

Tom Manning: Pray for wisdom as Tom and Melissa choose a course of treatment for the lymphoma Tom has, that it proves effective in eradicating the cancer, and that he is strengthened daily by the presence and grace of God.

Barb McLean had carpal tunnel surgery on Friday. Pray for a complete recovery and that she soon begins to experience the benefits of the procedure.

Elizabeth Miller is at Park Manor, recovering and rehabbing from hip replacement surgery. Pray that her time there continues to go well and that she knows God's strength and presence during her convalescence.

Vickie Myers is at St Mary's, fighting another infection. Pray for healing and strength, and that she continues to be kept in God's comfort and peace.

Announcements

Birthdays & Anniversaries this Week:

January 12	John and Christina McBean
January 14	Veronica Klicker
January 16	Elijah Klicker
January 18	Del Klicker

Christian Aid Dinner: We are serving dinner tomorrow night at the Christian Aid Center. If you would like to help prepare or serve the meal, please let Heidi Leinweber know.

Explanation of the Cover Symbol

Since the time of the Reformation, the burning bush has been a symbol of the Church. The Latin words are taken from Exodus 3.2 and read "...and yet it was not consumed." In one of his letters, Samuel Rutherford reminded his correspondent, "The bush has been burning these five thousand years, and no man yet saw the ashes of that fire."