

February 9, 2025

10 O'clock A.M.

# "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ" Ephesians 1:3

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REFLECTION

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 8

## O Yahweh, our Lord, how majestic is your Name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place.

# What is man that You are mindful of him, and the Son of man that your care for him?

You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the heavens, and the sea.

# O Yahweh, our Lord, how majestic is your Name in all the earth!

\*HYMN OF ADORATION Let All Things Now Living #125

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CHOIR

Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this Place

<u>Notes</u>

## PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF DEVOTION	Be Still, My Soul Ushers come forward at this time	#689
TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
OFFERTORY		
*OFFERTORY RESPONSE	Doxology	#731
*READING OF GOD'S WOR		<b>phesians 1:15-23</b> w Bible Pg, 1159
PREACHING OF THE WOR	RD	"Paul Prays"
*HYMN OF RESPONSE	What a Friend We Have in Jesu	s #629
*BENEDICTION		
*GLORIA PATRI ************************************	******	#741 ******

Evening worship service tonight at 6pm. Pastor Chris will continue the book of Jonah

## PAUL'S PRAYERS OF THANKS

**Romans 1:8.** First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed in all the world.

**I Corinthians 1:4.** I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus...

**2** Corinthians 1:10. On God we have set our hope that He will deliver us again. You also must help us by prayer, so that many will give thanks on our behalf for the blessing granted us through the prayers of many.

**Philippians 1:3** I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel...

**Colossians 1:3** We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints...

**1 Thessalonians 1:2.** We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love...

**2 Thessalonians 1:3.** We ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of you for one another is increasing.

**2 Timothy 1:3.** I thank God... as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day.

**Philemon 1:4.** I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and for all the saints...

# **GIVING THANKS**

For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers... Ephesians 1:15,16

**Intro**: "I'll be glad to preach, if you'll take the prayers; I'm not able to pray at present, but I can preach a bit, and would like it." [Quote of Rabbi Duncan, Ralph Davis, **Way of Righteous in the Much of Life**, Psalms 1-12]

#### "Lord Teach us to Pray" [Luke 11:1]

Psalms [OT Prayer & Songbook], Daniel, Nehemiah, etc. Essential Prayer Principles – The Lord's Prayer

### **Paul's Prayers**

Paul Prayers in 10 of his 13 letters.Ephesians: Paul prayers 2 times! Very ExtensivePaul Characteristic Thanks[Not Phil. 4:6,7]

#### **Paul Thanks God for Fellow Believers**

#### Why Does He do so? "heard of your faith, love for all the saints" Eph 1:15 "faith is proclaimed in all the world" Rom 1:8 "partnership in the gospel" Phil 1:3 "heard of your faith, love for saints" Col. 1:3 How Does He do so? "I do not cease giving thanks" Eph 1:15 "always and in every prayer for you" Phil 1:3 "always give thanks... when we pray" Col. 1:3 So What? Apostolic Teaching by Example

You and I must learn to do so too!

### CONFESSION OF FAITH

#### Christian, in whom do you believe and trust?

We believe in the one true and living God revealed in Holy Scripture. He is the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory.

#### Who is your Redeemer?

Our only Redeemer is the Lord Jesus Christ, who being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continues to be God and man in two distinct nature, and one person, forever.

#### CONFESSION OF SIN

#### based on Psalm 32

Heavenly Father, forgive us when we have kept silent, and not confessed our sins. We have ignored our sin, blamed others, or made excuses. You chastised us as a Father does His children. You mercifully convicted us of our sins by the work of Your Holy Spirit. Then we acknowledged our sin, and no longer covered up our iniquity. We now confess all our sins against You and Your Holy Law. We are assured Father that you no longer count our sins against us because Jesus has died for our sins. We are truly blessed and praise Your Merciful Name; we are glad and rejoice in the LORD.

#### ASSURANCE OF GRACE

#### Romans 5:6-11

**God shows His love for us in that:** While we were still sinner, Christ died for us!

**Since we have been justified by His blood** How much more shall we be saved by Him from the wrath of God.

While we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son How much more now will we be saved by His life.

We rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.