

THE LORD'S DAY

March 23, 2025

10 O'clock A.M.

*We gather as God's people to worship the Triune God:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

*We do so through our Lord Jesus' sin-substitutionary death,
and by the enabling power of the Holy Spirit.*

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 9:1,2,9-11

I will give thanks to Yahweh with my whole heart.

I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

I will be glad and exult in You.

I will sing praise to Your Name, O Most High.

Yahweh is a stronghold for the oppressed,

A stronghold in times of trouble.

And those who know Your Name put their trust in in You.

For You, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.

Sing praises to Yahweh!

*HYMN OF ADORATION

Now Thank We All Our God

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CONFESSION OF FAITH

**A Westminster Creed
Insert**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have sinned against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. Lord, have mercy upon us! Spare those, O God, who truly confess their sins. Restore those who are penitent, according to Your promises in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

I am the Good Shepherd, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.

I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand.

My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF DEVOTION

*Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me
Ushers come forward at this time.*

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TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Doxology

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*READING OF GOD'S WORD

Acts 1:1-8
Pew Bible Pg.1080

PREACHING OF THE WORD

**The Church's Mission
Mr. Aaron Gregas**

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

Jesus Shall Reign

#441

*BENEDICTION

*GLORIA PATRI

#735

**Stand if you are able*

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I believe in the one true and living God.

I believe there are three persons in the one true and living God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory.

I believe in God the Father who has foreordained all things.

I believe the Father made all things of nothing, by His powerful Word, in the space of six days, and all very good. The Father, by His providence, preserves and governs all His creatures and all their actions.

I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, the only Redeemer of God's elect.

I believe that our Lord Jesus endured the miseries of this life, the wrath of God for us, the cursed death of the cross, and burial. He rose again from the dead on the third day, and ascended into heaven. He now sits at the right hand of God the Father and will come to judge the world on the last day.

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