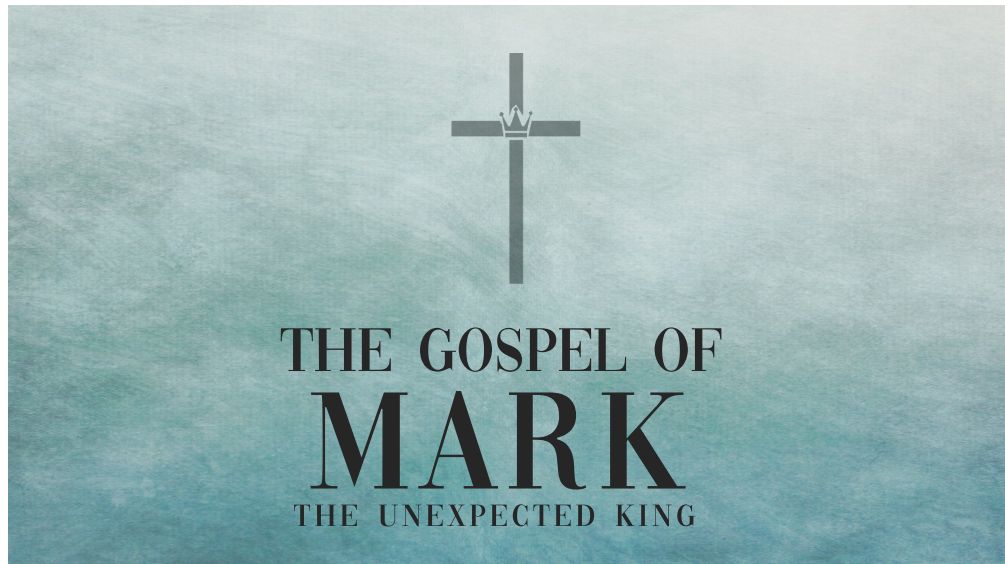




REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
November 2, 2025
9:30 am Worship Service

Multiplying disciples one life at a time.

Today's Speaker: Dr. David Kieffer, Senior Pastor

Worship Leader: Jason Rutter, Ruling Elder

Organist: Courtney Brooke

Choir Director: Rachel Klein

PRELUDE

◇ A time of quiet preparation

Lamb of God Medley/ arr. L. Larson
Laura Johnson

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Romans 12:1-2 (ESV)

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 1 *All People that on Earth Do Dwell*

***WE CONFESS OUR FAITH** The Apostles' Creed

Leader: Christian, what do you believe?

People: **I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, died, and was buried; he de-
scended into hell¹. The third day he rose
again from the dead. He ascended into
heaven and is seated at the right hand of
God the Father Almighty. From there he
will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy
catholic² church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of
the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

***WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

*Lift High the Name of Jesus
Only a Holy God
O Praise the Name*

WELCOME TO ALL

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

WELCOME TO VISITORS

WE SEEK GOD'S FACE

Prayers of God's People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/ CHORAL OFFERTORY *Go Out with Joy/* B. Harlan

¹ meaning *the God-forsaken state of Jesus in his suffering, death, and burial.*

² meaning *universal*

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 9:30-50 (ESV)

Abby Rutter, Reader

³⁰ They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he did not want anyone to know, ³¹ for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise." ³² But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

³³ And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" ³⁴ But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵ And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶ And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷ "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

³⁸ John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹ But Jesus said, "Do not stop him, for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰ For the one who is not against us is for us. ⁴¹ For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ will by no means lose his reward.

⁴² "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. ⁴³ And if your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵ And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷ And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸ 'where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.' ⁴⁹ For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰ Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

SERMON

Pride Comes Before the Fall

The Gospel of Mark series

Dr. David Kieffer

WE COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PREPARATION

THE INVITATION

THE BREAD AND THE CUP *All to Jesus I Surrender* (Hymn 562)

Please Note: An elder is available in the rear of the sanctuary during communion to pray with you regarding any needs or issues in your life.

On odd numbered months we go forward,
on even numbered months we remain seated for communion.

Please Note: *Both wine and juice are offered. Clear cups in the outer rim of the communion tray contain grape juice.
All other (pink) cups contain wine.*

WE REMEMBER THOSE IN NEED

THE LOVE OFFERING/CLOSING HYMN **253**

There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood

*WORDS OF PEACE

Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV)

*The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon
you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you
and give you peace.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Song Lyrics

1 *All People That in Earth Do Dwell*

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, His praise forth tell;
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;
Without our aid He did us make;
We are His folk, He doth us feed,
And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise;
Approach with joy His courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless His Name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good;
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

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Lift High the Name of Jesus

Lift high the name of Jesus Of Jesus our King
Make known the power of His grace The beauty of His peace
Remember how His mercy reached And we cried out to Him
He lifted us to solid ground To freedom from our sin

Oh sing my soul And tell all He's done
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory

Lift high the name of Jesus Of Jesus our Lord
His pow'r in us is greater than Is greater than this world
To share the reason for our hope To serve with love and grace
That all who see Him shine through us Might bring the Father praise

Oh sing my soul And tell all He's done
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory

Lift high the name of Jesus Of Jesus our Light
No other name on earth can save Can raise a soul to life
He opens up our eyes to see The harvest He has grown
We labor in His fields of grace As He leads sinners home

Oh sing my soul And tell all He's done
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory

Only A Holy God

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?
Who else could make every king bow down?
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?
Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises?
What other splendor outshines the sun?
What other majesty rules with justice?
Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him, The One and the Only
Cry out, sing holy, Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire?
What other power can raise the dead?
What other name remains undefeated?
Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him, the One and the Only
Cry out, sing holy, Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God (repeat, interlude)

Who else could rescue me from my failing?
Who else would offer His only Son?
Who else invites me to call Him Father?
Only a Holy God, Only my Holy God

Come and behold Him, the One and the Only
Cry out, sing holy, Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God (repeat, interlude)

Come and behold Him, The One and the Only
Cry out, sing holy, Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God

O Praise the Name (Anastasis)

I cast my mind to Calvary Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds His hands His feet My
Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone

O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting?
The angels roar for Christ the King

O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise

562 All to Jesus I Surrender

All to Jesus I surrender,
All to Him I freely give;
may I ever love and trust Him,
In His presence daily live.
I surrender all, I surrender all;
All to Thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender,
humbly at His feet I bow,
worldly pleasures all forsaken,
take me Jesus, take me now
I surrender all, I surrender all;
All to Thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender,
Make me, Savior, wholly Thine;
may Thy Holy Spirit fill me,
may I know Thy power divine.
I surrender all, I surrender all;
All to Thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender,
Lord, I give myself to Thee;
Fill me with Thy love and power,
Let Thy blessing fall on me.
I surrender all, I surrender all;
All to Thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

253 *There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood*

There is a fountain filled with blood, Drawn from Immanuel's veins,
And sinners plunged beneath that flood Lose all their guilty stains:
Lose all their guilty stains: Lose all their guilty stains:
And sinners plunged beneath that flood Lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see That fountain in his day;
And there have I, though vile as he, Washed all my sins away:
Washed all my sins away: Washed all my sins away:
And there have I, though vile as he, Washed all my sins away.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream your flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme, And shall be till I die;
And shall be till I die; And shall be till I die;
Redeeming love has been my theme, And shall be till I die.

Then in a nobler, sweeter song, I'll sing your pow'r to save;
when this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue lies silent in the grave;
lies silent in the grave; lies silent in the grave;
when this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue lies silent in the grave;

Dear dying Lamb, your precious blood Shall never lose its pow'r,
Till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more;
Be saved, to sin no more; Be saved, to sin no more;
Till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more.