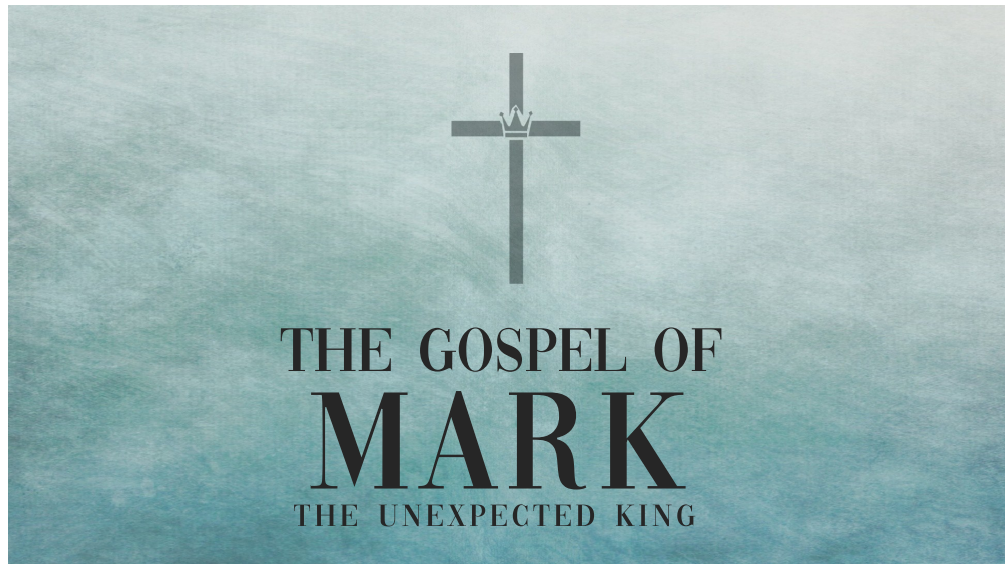




REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
October 26, 2025
9:30 am Worship Service

Multiplying disciples one life at a time.

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

Worship Leader: Josiah Weaver, Ruling Elder

Organist: Courtney Brooke

Choir Director: Rachel Klein

PRELUDE

A Mighty Fortress/ arr. R. Hobby

◊ A time of quiet preparation

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 62:5-7 (ESV)

Leader: For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from him. He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken. On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 4 (VSS. 1-4)

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

***WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

Leader: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

People: Forgive us for our self-righteousness and love of this world.

Leader: Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

People: Forgive us for relishing sin, for it harms others and us.

Leader: Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

People: Forgive us for our pride, for it places us at risk of losing everything.

Leader: Blessed are those who hunger for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

People: Forgive us for feeding our worldly appetites, for it never satisfies.

Leader: Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

People: Forgive our harshness toward others, for it separates us from you.

Leader: Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

People: Forgive our double-mindedness, for it makes us blind to you.

Leader: Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

People: Forgive us for being peace-breakers and peace-fakers; for it's not the Father's way.

Leader: Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

People: Forgive us for appeasing others to avoid persecution, for we are not of the world.

***WE EMBRACE GOD’S GRACE**

1 John 1:9 (ESV)

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

***WE CONFESS OUR FAITH:**

The Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 1

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

People: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

***WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

*House of the Lord
This is Our God
Soli Deo Gloria*

PRESENTATION OF CHILDREN’S BIBLES

Anthony Martin

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO CHILDREN’S WORSHIP

(ages 4–6 years old)

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

WELCOME TO VISITORS

WE SEEK GOD’S FACE

Prayers of God's People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/ CHORAL OFFERTORY

On Faith Alone (Sola Fide)/ arr. T. Fettke

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 9:1-29 (ESV)

And he said to them, “Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with power.”

² And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³ and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. ⁵ And Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.” ⁶ For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷ And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, “This is my beloved Son; listen to him.” ⁸ And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.

⁹ And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead. ¹⁰ So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what this rising from the dead might mean. ¹¹ And they asked him, “Why do the scribes say that first Elijah must come?” ¹² And he said to them, “Elijah does come first to restore all things. And how is it written of the Son of Man that he should suffer many things and be treated with contempt? ¹³ But I tell you that Elijah has come, and they did to him whatever they pleased, as it is written of him.”

¹⁴ And when they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵ And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to him and greeted him. ¹⁶ And he asked them, “What are you arguing about with them?” ¹⁷ And someone from the crowd answered him, “Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. ¹⁸ And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able.” ¹⁹ And he answered them, “O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me.” ²⁰ And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at

the mouth. ²¹ And Jesus asked his father, “How long has this been happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood. ²² And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.” ²³ And Jesus said to him, “‘If you can’! All things are possible for one who believes.” ²⁴ Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!” ²⁵ And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.” ²⁶ And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, “He is dead.” ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸ And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?” ²⁹ And he said to them, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer.”

SERMON

From Mountain to Valley
The Gospel of Mark series
Dr. David Kieffer

***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

SONG OF RESPONSE

Your Grace is Enough

WORDS OF PEACE

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO MUSIC ROOM AND SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR
(4 years through 5th grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Voluntary/ J. Stanley

Song Lyrics

4 *All Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

All praise to God, who reigns above, the God of all creation,
The God of wonders, pow'r, and love, the God of our salvation!
With healing balm my soul He fills, the God who every sorrow stills.
To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty pow'r hath made his gracious mercy keepeth;
By morning dawn or evening shade his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth;
Within the kingdom of His might, lo, all is just and all is right,--
To God all praise and glory!

I cried to Him in time of need: Lord God, O, hear my calling!
For death He gave me life indeed and kept my feet from falling.
For this my thanks shall endless be;
O, thank Him, thank our God, with me.
To God all praise and glory!

The Lord forsaketh not His flock, his chosen generation;
He is their refuge and their rock, their peace and their salvation.
As with a mother's tender hand he leads His own, His chosen band,
To God all praise and glory!

Ye who confess Christ's holy name, to God give praise and glory!
Ye who the Father's pow'r proclaim, to God give praise and glory!
All idols under foot be trod, the Lord is God! The Lord is God!
To God all praise and glory!

Then come before His presence now and banish fear and sadness;
to your Redeemer pay your vow and sing with joy and gladness;
Though great distress my soul befell, the Lord, my God did all things well.
To God all praise and glory!

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House of the Lord

We worship the God who was
We worship the God who is
We worship the God who evermore will be
He opened the prison doors
He parted the raging sea
My God, He holds the victory

There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise

There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise

We sing to the God who heals
We sing to the God who saves
We sing to the God who always makes a way
'Cause He hung up on that cross
Then He rose up from that grave
My God's still rolling stones away

There's joy in the house of the Lord
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We shout out Your praise

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We were the beggars
Now we're royalty
We were the prisoners
Now we're running free
We are forgiven, accepted
Redeemed by His grace
Let the house of the Lord sing praise

House of the Lord cont..

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This Is Our God

Remember those walls that we called sin and shame?
They were like prisons that we couldn't escape
But He came, and He died, and He rose, Those walls are rubble now

Remember those giants we called death and grave?
They were like mountains that stood in our way
But He came, and He died, and He rose, Those giants are dead now

This is our God, this is who He is- He loves us
This is our God, this is what He does- He saves us

He bore the cross, beat the grave
Let Heaven and Earth proclaim: This is our God, King Jesus

Remember that fear that took our breath away?
Faith so weak that we could barely pray
But He heard every word, every whisper

Now those altars in the wilderness, Tell the story of His faithfulness
Never once did He fail, and He never will

This is our God, this is who He is- He loves us
This is our God, this is what He does- He saves us
He bore the cross, beat the grave
Let Heaven and Earth proclaim: This is our God, King Jesus

Who pulled me out of that pit? He did, He did
Who paid for all of our sin? Nobody but Jesus
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Who paid for all of our sin? Nobody but Jesus

Who rescued me from that grave? Yahweh, Yahweh
Who gets the glory and praise? Nobody but Jesus
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Who gets the glory and praise? Nobody but Him

This is our God, this is who He is- He loves us
This is our God, this is what He does - He saves us

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Soli Deo Gloria

Let the mountain maker come and take His place
Let the ocean in our hearts be still and wait
For the coming of our King, For the wonders that He brings
Let His majesty shine, And be lifted on high

When You move, there's nothing left to do
but stand in awe and wonder, You're like no other
When You speak, all power is released
We stand in awe and wonder, There is no other

Glory to our God alone, Soli Deo gloria
You'll reign forever on Your throne, Soli Deo gloria

You're the champion and confidence of earth
In Your presence, we're reminded of our worth

We've been chosen by our King, See the wonders that He brings
Let His majesty shine, And be lifted on high

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Your Grace Is Enough

Great is Your faithfulness O God
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart

(So) remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise O God

Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

Great is Your love and justice God of Jacob
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along

(So) remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise O God

Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

So remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise O God

Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

Your grace is enough
Heaven reaches out to us
Your grace is enough for me

Your grace is enough
I'm covered in Your love
Your grace is enough for me for me