



The life of the church mirrors the gospel pattern in the life of a disciple.

*This is demonstrated in our **order of worship** (the bulletin you are holding): Opening moments offer recognition of the greatness and goodness of God that naturally folds into confession, assurance of pardon, songs of thanksgiving, instruction, and a charge to serve God in response to His grace in Christ.*



In this life you have the first fruits of the Spirit; in heaven you will have the full measure. Here you have only a poor reflection; one day you will see clearly. You are heading to a place where everything is new: a new life, and new home, and a new world. This new life will have no death, pain, sorrow or infirmities. Everything and everyone you see will be beautiful. Everyone will have the strength of youth and the wisdom of age. Everything without and within you will be beautiful. No squabbles, arguments, personality conflicts, or theological differences will separate you from anyone. Everything you say will be perfectly encouraging. Nothing foolish, unkind, harsh or boastful will come from your mouth. Every thought you think will be pure, noble, admirable, lovely, excellent and praiseworthy. Nothing will hinder your relationship with Jesus or with other people.

Order of Worship

November 17, 2019

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

SMPC Music Team

Celebrating His Presence

Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship



*We believe everyone **worships** something and that we will inevitably imitate and serve what we worship.*



O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?

O Lord, how shall I meet You, how welcome You aright?
Your people long to greet You, my hope, my heart's delight!
O kindle, Lord Most Holy, Your lamp within my breast
To do in spirit lowly all that may please You best.

Love caused your incarnation, love brought You down to me;
Your thirst for my salvation procured my liberty.
O love beyond all telling, that led You to embrace,
In love all love excelling, our lost and fallen race!

Sin's debt, that fearful burden, let not your souls distress;
Your guilt the Lord will pardon and cover by His grace.
He comes, for men procuring the peace of sin forgiv'n,
For all God's sons securing their heritage in heav'n.

Invocation

A Gospel Moment

The Prayer of Confession and Repentance

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature—prone to evil and slothful in good—and all our shortcomings and offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Your dear Son. And, O most holy and loving Father, send Your purifying grace into our hearts, we beseech You, that we may henceforth live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



*The **gospel moment** is a time we use to remind people of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

By His obedience we are justified, and by His death we are reconciled to God. As we apprehend this we are ready to confess our sin.



*Since we understand that we are redeemed sinners, we agree with God about our sin to the end that we might be confirmed in the forgiveness and absolution we have in Christ. This pattern of **confession** makes way for affirmation and confirmation of God's covenant promise that He assures every believer of pardon for the sake of Christ's obedience and substitution.*



Assurance of Pardon

People: Thanks be to God!



For assurance of pardon, the man who has faith is the man who is no longer looking at himself and no longer looking to himself. He looks entirely to the Lord Jesus Christ and His finished work, and rests on that alone". –Martyn Lloyd-Jones



I'm Forever Grateful

You did not wait for me to draw near to You,
But You clothed Yourself with frail humanity.
You did not wait for me to cry out to You,
But You let me hear Your voice calling me.

Chorus: And I'm forever grateful to You,
I'm forever grateful for the cross.
I'm forever grateful to You
That You came to seek and save the lost.

(repeat all/repeat chorus)

The Blessing

Minister: The grace of God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Greeting One Another in the Name of the Lord

Experiencing Renewal

In My Place

In my place He stood condemned, He who knew no sin,
Became sin for us that we might become His righteousness;
Bearing all my sin and shame, the punishment and blame,
He conquered the grave that we might become the heirs of grace.

Chorus: In my place Jesus died, the spotless Lamb laid down His life;
The wrath of God was satisfied, in my place, Jesus died.

(repeat all)

Bridge: Nail-pierced hands, bleeding side, His body bruised, my God crucified.
A crown of thorns, dying cries, His flesh was torn, my God crucified.
Hallelujah, what a Savior! Hallelujah, what a Savior!
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(repeat chorus)

We Fall Down

We fall down, we lay our crowns at the feet of Jesus,
The greatness of mercy and love at the feet of Jesus,
And we cry, "Holy holy, holy," we cry, "Holy, holy, holy,"
And we cry, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lamb."

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Now that we
have
reenacted
the story of
the gospel
as a church
community.
We now
**experience
the renewal**
merited for
us by Jesus
Christ. We
express this
renewal in
our singing
praises to
Jesus for
His great
mercy
towards us.





Jesus, our shepherd,
prays with us and for us. We pray the **pastoral prayer** expecting the Holy Spirit to minister Jesus' benefits to us as He prays for us.



Pastoral Prayer

Song of Preparation to Hear God's Word

I Look to the Shepherd

I look to the Shepherd, He meets all my needs;
Beside the still waters He faithfully leads,
Bringing peace to my soul, as His love makes me whole. (*chorus*)

And when in the valley of deepest despair,
I look to the Shepherd, His presence is there;
Bringing peace to my soul, as His love makes me whole. (*chorus*)

Chorus: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me,
Follow me all the days of my life.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me, all my life.



(children
4-6 years
are
dismissed
to
Children's
Church
at this
time)



Deepening Our Commitment

Preaching of the Word

Pastor Tim Posey

Series: Biblical Foundations for Change
“The Intolerance of Grace” Titus 2:11-15
Theme: *How to Know if You “Get” Grace*

Introduction:

- I. Grace brings salvation

- II. Grace teaches and trains us

- III. Grace enables us

- IV. Grace motivates us

Conclusion:



*Since Jesus Christ has committed Himself to us in the laying down of His precious life, we are reminded of this in the preaching of the Word and likewise called to a daily, **deepening commitment** to follow after Him.*



Receiving of Tithes and Offerings



Receiving of tithes and offerings is not an "add on" to the service. It is part of worship. We demonstrate our trust in God's present provision and hope in our future with Him by supporting the spread of the Gospel.



Song of Response

What A Savior

Atoning sacrifice, keeper of this life,
Hallelujah, You are Savior.
Beginning and the end, forgiver of my sin,
By Your mercy You have saved us.

Chorus: Jesus, You are stronger,
More than any other;
Hallelujah, what a Savior!
Jesus You are higher,
My soul's deepest desire,
Hallelujah, You are Savior!

You are the shepherd King, You lead us by still waters,
Hallelujah, You are Savior!
You are my only hope, Your kindness is my friend,
In Your presence You restore us. (*chorus*)

Bridge: You are the way the truth and the life,
You are my joy and my salvation.
Stood in my place, taking my shame
Upon Your shoulders. (*chorus*)



The Benediction is a pronouncement of God's favor upon His assembled people.



Celebrating the Lord's Supper

(Please note that the outer ring is juice and the inner rings are wine; the bread is gluten free)

Benediction

