

# CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

MARCH 5, 2023

Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness! — Psalm 96:9

## THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS Jim Bartenfield

SILENCE FOR PREPARATION

CALL TO WORSHIP \* Psalm 68:32-35

O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing praises to the Lord.

**To him who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; behold, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.**

Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies.

**Awesome is God from his sanctuary; the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his people. Blessed be God!**

DOXOLOGY \*

HYMN # 14 \* *Give to Our God Immortal Praise*

THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER \* Jim Bartenfield

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH \* The Apostles' Creed (front of hymnal)

## THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Rod Walls

Father, by the power of your Holy Spirit, **open our eyes, that we may see wonderful things in your law**; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS Job 7:1-21 (pew Bible p. 496)  
Matthew 8:18-34 (pew Bible p. 966)

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Rod Walls

ASSURANCE OF GRACE Romans 5:6, 10-11

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

**For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.**

HYMN # 265 *Lamb of God*

## THE OFFERING OF GIFTS TO GOD'S HONOR

OFFERTORY PRAYER Luis Ramirez

HYMN # 51 \* *The Secret Place*

## THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION Jim Bartenfield

## THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

HYMN # 418 \* *For All the Saints*

SERMON Rod Walls

Persevering Faith  
Hebrews 12:1-2 (pew Bible p. 1196)

## THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

HYMN # 383 \* *God Almighty, Strong, Secure*

BENEDICTION \*

\* *Congregation please stand.*