

But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end.



Evangel Presbyterian Church

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Lord's Day, November 26, 2023

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst for righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(Register Attendance/Connect Cards)

Meditation

Psalm 5:5

"The arrogant cannot stand in Your presence; You hate all who do wrong."

APPROACHING GOD IN WORSHIP

Greeting: Grace and peace to you

from God our Father

and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-4

Pastor: Let us sing to the LORD a new song;

People: Sing to the LORD, all the earth!

Pastor: Let us sing to the LORD, and bless His name;

People: Let us tell of His salvation from day to day.

Pastor: Let us declare His glory among the nations,

People: His marvelous works among all the peoples!

Pastor: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;

People: He is to be feared above all gods.

Hymn of Adoration

God the Lord Is King #47

Prayer of Adoration

APPROACHING GOD IN CONFESSION AND SERVICE

Call to Confession

Psalm 19:7-9, 13-14

"The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul. The statues of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple. The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes. The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The ordinances of the LORD are sure and altogether righteous. . . Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me. Then will I be blameless, innocent of great transgression. May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer."

Prayer of Confession in Unison:

Father, we know that we can rejoice in who You are one minute and the next we can be involved in grievous sin. Our focus can turn from righteousness to evil in the blink of an eye. We know that we are a weak people.

Forgive us when we chase after sin. Give us the grace to flee sin and focus on our Savior. May the words of our mouth and the meditation of our heart be pleasing in Your sight, O LORD, our Rock and our Redeemer.

Moment of Silent Confession

The Lord's Assurance of Pardon

God reminds our forgetful hearts of the grace that is ours in Jesus.

James 4:6

"But He gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says, 'God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.'"

Hymn

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me #500

The Offering

In gratitude, we offer our tithes and offerings to God.

Gloria Patri #735

Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.

Ministry of Music Sovereign Ruler of the Skies

Victoria Briggs/Ashley Wilson by Berry/Foto/Monk

Pastoral Prayer

We lift up our requests to God knowing that he hears us when we pray.

Hymn

Th Mighty God, the Lord #316

RECEIVING THE WORD OF GOD

The Scripture Reading and Response

Matthew 18:1-6

Lamentations 4:12-22

Pastor: The grass withers, the flower fades;

People: But the Word of our God stands forever.

Children may be dismissed for Children's Church (ages 3-7). Teachers will meet them in the foyer. They may be picked up after the service at the end of the south hall.

The Morning Sermon
We Can't Tame God
Rev. Tim Rackley

Prayer of Application

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn

In Christ Alone

Benediction

Jeremiah 32:40

Pastor: "May the One who sent His Son

with power to save from guilt, and darkness and the grave, whose ways are mercy and truth;

may He never stop doing you good;

may He inspire you to fear Him so that you will

never turn aside from Him." Amen.

Doxology #731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise him, all creatures, here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Postlude

SERMON NOTES

We Can't Tame God

Matthew 18:1-6 Lamentations 4:12-22

NOTES

UPCOMING DATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Evangel Singers: Ages 14 and older are invited to join the choir for brief and regular rehearsals following Sunday worship services.

There will be no Kids' Quest, Youth Group or Grief Share tonight, November 26th due to the holiday weekend. All evening activities are scheduled to resume on December 3rd.

Women's Bible Study will meet this week, Tuesday, November 28th at 7:00 pm at Carolyn Weber's home (4964 Willow Point Ct./Bel Aire, KS) or Wednesday, November 29th at 9:30 am in the conference room at the church. We will conclude our Fall Study with chapter 6 of *Entrusted to Be Invested*. Come join for some great discussion and fellowship!

Women's Christmas Party is scheduled for December 16th in the Fellowship Hall from 4:00-6:00 pm. It will be followed by a **Churchwide Christmas Party** at 6:30 pm.

Save the Date: March 1st and 2nd a Women's Retreat is scheduled for 2024. Tara Gibbs will be the speaker and she will be speaking on *Ephesians*. Tara is a well-known speaker in the PCA. Her husband is the president of Covenant Seminary, the seminary of the PCA.

Elders and Deacons: Members of the congregation may submit names to be considered for these offices to the elders through December 10th. Officers whose term will expire need to be renominated for a new term. Deacon candidates must have been a member for one year before serving and elder candidates must be a member for two years before serving. Qualifications for these offices are outlined in I Timothy 3:1-13 and Titus 1:6-9. Please surround this process and those being considered with your prayers. Pray that God will use this process to choose those whom he is calling to serve as elders and deacons.

Nursery Volunteers			
	November 26	December 3	
Sunday School:	Jenny Rackley	Cheryl Doeden	
Worship:	Deb Kanaga	Bethany Drouhard	
	Sydney Engelbrecht	Amy Edwards	
Children's Church Leaders			
	November 26	December 3	
Leader:	Victoria Briggs	Brenda Johnson	
Helper:	Hunter Briggs	Donna Wilson	
Thank you for serving! We appreciate our loving children's ministry volunteers very much. If you are unable to serve your scheduled time for either nursery or children's church, please try to find a replacement.			
Cheryl Doeden, Nursery Coordinator			
Jenny Rackley, Children's Church Coordinator			

If you are visiting with us today, we are so glad you are here. Please tell us a little more about yourself by scanning the QR code below. We hope we help you worship well today.



CHURCH PROGRAMS

Kids' and Youth Music	Sundays at 9:10 AM	
Sunday School	Sundays at 9:10 AM	
Gather	Sundays at 10:10 AM	
Morning Worship	Sundays at 10:45 AM	
Evangel Choir	Sundays at 12:10 PM	
Kids' Quest Classes	Sundays at 6:00 PM	
Youth Group	Sundays at 6:00 PM	
GriefShare Classes	Sundays at 6:00 PM	
Women's Evening Study Group Second & Fourth	Tuesday at 7:00 PM	
Women's Morning Study Group Second & FourthWednesday 9:30 AM		
F.L.O.C.K.S. Groups See group leaders for time and location		

MISSION

Evangel believes the Bible is the infallible word of God and forgiveness and eternal life are obtained only through God's Son, Jesus Christ, who died as a substitute for His people.

Our objective is to exalt the glory of God, to build up and sustain the faith of members, to engage in mutual service, to interpret today's happenings in the light of God's revelation, and to proclaim the Gospel to the world.

GUEST INFORMATION

Welcome to Evangel! Nursery care is provided for infants and toddlers under age three during Sunday school and the worship service. Children's church is offered for children ages 3 to 7. Children may leave the service after the Scripture reading.

LEADERSHIP

Session	<u>Diaconate</u>
Rev. Tim Rackley, Pastor	Zack Flummerfelt
Brad Doeden	<u>Staff</u>
Bryan Fiscus, Clerk of Session	Adam McKinney, Pastoral Assistant
Marlon Johnston	Deb Kanaga, Administrative Assistant