



# Longview Evangelical Presbyterian Church

We are a faith family walking together to know Christ and to make him known by engaging in dynamic worship, pursuing spiritual wisdom, investing in deep relationships, and affecting social renewal.

NOVEMBER 5, 2017

## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

*He Hideth My Soul*

*setting by David Luna*

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Doug Ashley

Pastor: The psalmist states: "Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth."\*

What is it that he has done?

**People: He came to earth, carried our sins in his body on the cross and was raised again from the dead so that we, too, can be dead to sin and alive to what is right. By his wounds we are healed!**

Pastor: Praise the Lord!

**People: The Lord's name be praised!**

\*John Calvin (1509-1564) began each worship service with this sentence from Psalm 124:8)

*\*Holy Is Our God*

Lift up His Name within the sanctuary

Lift up His Name among the people who are gathered here to sing His praise

Who are gathered here to sing His praise

Holy is our God Holy is Your Name

Mighty are Your works and deeds and wondrous are Your ways

All that You have made shall return and give You glory (Lord)

The earth the sky the sea and all within them

This universe beyond the sight of mortal men

All subject to His reign all creation subject to His reign

The great I Am no end and no beginning

You were and are and evermore You shall be

All my days are in Your hands all my days are in Your hands

Give You glory give You glory Lord

We give You glory Lord we give You glory

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*\*To God Be the Glory*

To God be the glory, great things He hath done;

So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,

Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,

And opened the life gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,

And give Him the glory, great things He has done.

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## Welcome!

This morning we will be celebrating the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. If you have not professed faith though you will not be partaking of the sacrament, it is our privilege to have you here. Perhaps what you experience will raise questions for you. After the service, we will be eager to talk with you further about the joy of our life in Christ and the significance of this celebration in our life together. If you have professed faith in Jesus Christ, we are honored to be receiving the sacrament with you this morning!

*Hearing devices are available in the Narthex.*

*Please sign the attendance register located at the end of each pew.*

## Reformation Sunday and the Five Solas:

The "Five Solas" (sola means 'alone' in Latin) are five slogans that emerged during the Reformation as a way of capturing what the Reformers considered the essentials to good theology, in fact to Christianity itself. As you can see in the sidebars this morning, these five solas undergird all we do in our weekly worship services.

## Solus Christus ("Christ alone")

Jesus Christ alone is our Lord, Savior, and King. All we do in worship is subsumed under this sola. We are not here to worship music, speaking, sacraments, community, etc. We are here to worship Jesus for he ALONE is the one from whom true meaning, joy and freedom flow. Why? Because in Jesus Christ God has provided us with the ultimate revelation of himself (Colossians 1:5) and through him alone do we come to a saving and transforming knowledge of God. See 1 Timothy 1:5, 1 John 1:1, Hebrews 7:23-25, Romans 8:34, Acts 4:12.

**Sola Fide** ("faith alone") and **Sola Gratia** ("grace alone"). A person is saved only through faith in Jesus Christ because of God's grace and Jesus' actions on the person's behalf. **Faith** is the means by which we access the blessings that are ours through grace, much as the plane who takes a winner of a trip to Hawaii is the means by which a person enjoys Honolulu. Likewise, **grace** is much like the winning of an all expenses paid trip to Hawaii - we enjoy it at someone else's expense. These two slogans remind us that it is God who generously saves us, preserves us and keeps us throughout our lives. As 2 Timothy 2:13 says, When we are faithless toward him, he is still faithful to us. All of our prayers, whether sung or spoken are based on these beliefs. (See also Eph 2:8)

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
To every believer the promise of God;  
The vilest offender who truly believes,  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,  
And give Him the glory, great things He has done.

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done,  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
But purer, and higher, and greater will be  
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

## \*MORNING PRAYER

Doug Ashley

## PROCLAIMING

### \*SONG OF INVOCATION

*\*Show Us Christ*

Prepare our hearts, O God help us to receive  
Break the hard and stony ground help our unbelief  
Plant Your Word down deep in us cause it to bear fruit  
Open up our ears to hear lead us in Your truth

Show us Christ, show us Christ, O God, reveal Your glory  
Through the preaching of Your Word until every heart confesses Christ is Lord

Your Word is living light upon our darkened eyes  
Guards us through temptations makes the simple wise  
Your Word is food for famished ones freedom for the slave  
Riches for the needy soul come speak to us today

Where else can we go, Lord, where else can we go  
You have the words of eternal life

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## SERMON LESSON

Exodus 33:15-23

Shelley Kral

## SERMON

“Set Us Free: Soli Deo Gloria (To the Glory of God Alone)

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

### Invitation

If you are a baptized Christian who actively trusts in Jesus Christ for salvation and are willing to forsake your sin, you are welcome to take Holy Communion this morning. If you are wrestling with the claims of Jesus and his place in your life, this time is still for you. Rather than coming forward to take the elements, please remain seated and contemplate taking Christ himself. The prayers that follow are supplied for your consideration.\*\*

*Prayer for Those Searching for Truth.* Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

*Prayer of Belief.* Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Prayer of Commitment.* Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship through membership in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

*\*\*Prayers from Redeemer Presbyterian Church of New York City*

#### Prayer of Confession

***Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our fellow men, in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life; to the glory of your name. Amen.***

Thomas Cranmer (1489-1556)

#### Words of Institution

#### Distribution of Elements

#### Music for The Lord's Supper

*We Will Feast in the House of Zion  
A Prayer to the Trinity*

#### Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

Beau Sullivan

***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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.***

#### \*Passing of the Peace

*\*All to Us*

Precious cornerstone, sure foundation, You are faithful to the end.  
We are waiting on You, Jesus. We believe You're all to us. (REPEAT)

Let the glory of Your name be the passion of the Church.  
Let the righteousness of God be a holy flame that burns.  
Let the saving love of Christ be the measure of our lives.  
We believe You're all to us.

Only Son of God, sent from heaven, hope and mercy at the cross.  
You are ev'rything, You're the promise. Jesus You are all to us.

You're all to us, You're all to us, You're all to us, Yes You are.

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## SENDING

THE LORD AT WORK THROUGH LONGVIEW EPC

Doug Ashley

\*BENEDICTION

Shelley Kral

\*POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand as able*

**Sola Scriptura** ("Scripture alone"). This sola declares that Scripture alone is the ultimate, trustworthy authority for faith and the practice of Christianity. As theologian Justin Holcomb writes: "This doesn't mean that the Bible is the only place where truth is found, but it does mean that everything else we learn about God and his world, and all other authorities, should be interpreted in light of Scripture. The Bible gives us everything we need for our theology." Thus each sermon is to present and promote biblical truth that the people of God may grow in proper understanding of who God is and what he is up to in our world (a.k.a. grow in good theology). See 2 Peter 2:20, Romans 15:4, 2 Timothy 2:16.

*The rosebud today is given to the glory of God  
and in honor of the safe arrival of  
Samuel Alexander Glaze on October 27, 2017.  
Proud parents are Sean and Stephanie Glaze.  
He is also welcomed by big sister, June Jordan, and  
brother, Christopher, as well as  
grandmother, Mary White.*

### **1ST SUNDAY TODAY—OBSERVANCE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER & THANKSGIVING FELLOWSHIP LUNCH:**

Today we will celebrate communion followed by a Thanksgiving Fellowship lunch. Join us for a time of fellowship and thanksgiving. Church will provide chicken and dressing. All are welcome!

**LUNCH BUNCH:** Wednesday, November 15, 11:30 a.m. will be the next meeting of the Lunch Bunch. Reservations are helpful. Everyone is invited!

### **SHOES FOR INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP:**

LeTourneau University's Office of Global Initiatives is conducting a shoe drive fundraiser to raise funds for scholarships for international students. Pairs of gently worn, used and new shoes will be collected from now through December 1, 2017. Funds2Orgs will issue a check for the collected shoes based on the total weight of the pairs of shoes collected. The funding will benefit international students with at least 60 hours credit and in good academic standing who demonstrate financial need. We are offering a collection bin **HERE** at Trinity Hall entrance. All donated shoes will be redistributed throughout the Funds2Orgs network of micro-enterprise (small business) partners in developing countries.

**CHILDREN'S HAYRIDE:** Next Sunday, November 12, for children ages through 5th grade; from 4-6 p.m. at the Hudsons' (105 Prairie Lane). Enjoy food, face painting, a bounce house, a hayride, and a special surprise! Kids, remember to bring your parents!

### **NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:**

**Sunday, November 5** — Infants: Mariana Sullivan & Victoria; Toddlers: Ann Werline & Sarah

**Sunday, November 12** — Infants: Lizelle Fourie & Victoria; Toddlers: Kerri Daugbjerg & Sarah

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Nov. 5—Youth Fellowship

Nov. 8—Pioneer Clubs for children

Youth Bible studies

Chancel Choir and Worship Team rehearsals

Nov. 12—Pledge Cards Due (extras located in narthex)

Nov. 12—Children's Hayride

Nov. 15—Lunch Bunch

### **NEW TO LONGVIEW EPC? Please check the foyer for an EPC mug and brochure for you!**

*Coffee, cookies, and fellowship* are available in Trinity Hall each Sunday morning.

*Prayer Ministry:* Confidential prayer requests may be made by emailing [prayerteam@epclongview.org](mailto:prayerteam@epclongview.org) or by using the cards located in the attendance registers. Current monthly prayer calendars are located in the foyer.

*Tithes and Offerings* are received through the wooden boxes found at each entrance to the sanctuary, or checks mailed to the office, and electronically via the website. The website also offers a credit/debit card option.

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## **Longview Evangelical Presbyterian Church**

## **Worship 9:30 • Sunday School 10:45**

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