

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

**Looking Ahead.** Next week's sermon will be on Genesis 3:20–21. Sunday school will be on Psalm 88.

Today after service we will have an informational meeting right after service regarding our change in the prayer meeting and a new endeavor in prayer for our city. This is not a congregational meeting. Sunday school will meet afterwards.

Next week we will partake of Communion together. The Apostle Paul warns: "Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world" (1 Cor 11:28–32).

You can find a devotional for preparing your heart on the website at: <https://www.stonebridge-epc.org/preparing-for-worship/>

### **Help for Jerry Croyts.**

Jerry Croyts and his family are moving into the Toledo area but do not yet have a home. They are close to a purchase but would love to find temporary housing. If you have interest in helping the Croyts family, please let Pastor Taylor or the elders know.

### **Westminster Conference on Science and Faith, September 29–30.**

We will host a remote viewing party again for the WCSF. The conference's subject this year is: "The Miracle of Man". Is man an accident or made by design? If you are interested in attending, contact Jim Stafford.

### **Midweek Activities.**

Our prayer meeting is on Fridays, 7 PM at LCM. Beginning with September 6<sup>th</sup>, the prayer meeting will be on Wednesday nights at 5:30 PM. We will begin with a meal and fellowship in the Family Life Center before transitioning to the sanctuary at 6:15 PM. The meal will be bring-your-own-dinner.

Bible studies are on break until the fall.

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Welcome to



A Reformed Church For Toledo, OH

The Lord's Day, August 27, 2023

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## Welcome And Announcements

## Preparation For Worship

Prelude

## Call To Worship

Rev. Taylor Wright

## \*Hymn Of Adoration

“Praise The Lord! My Soul, O Praise him!”  
Trinity Psalter Hymnal #146

## \*Prayer Of Invocation

## \*Confession Of Faith

*Minister:* Christians, what do you believe?

*All:* I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature. He has delivered me and freed me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with silver and gold but with his holy, precious blood and with his innocent sufferings and death; so that I may be his, live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, even as he is risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true. (from Luther’s Small Catechism)

## Scripture Reading

1 Peter 2:1–8 (Page 1014)  
Tom Lueck

## Confession Of Sin

O Lord God, eternal and almighty Father, we confess and sincerely acknowledge before Your holy Majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in iniquity and corruption, prone to do evil, incapable of any good, and that in our depravity we transgress Your holy commandments without end or ceasing; therefore we purchase for ourselves, through Your righteous judgment, our ruin and perdition. Nevertheless, O Lord, we are grieved that we have offended You, and we condemn ourselves and our sins with true repentance, beseeching Your grace to relieve our distress. O God and Father, most gracious and full of compassion, have mercy upon us in the name of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. And as You do blot out our sins and stains, magnify and increase in us day by day the grace of Your Holy Spirit; that as we acknowledge our unrighteousness with all our heart, we may be moved by that sorrow which shall bring forth true repentance in us, mortifying all our sins, and producing in us the fruits of righteousness and innocence which are pleasing to You, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (from the Strasbourg Liturgy 1545)

\* Congregation stands as able.

## **Assurance Of Pardon**

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. “The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.” The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. (Lamentations 3:22–26)

## **Hymn**

“Hear Me, O LORD, And Answer Me”  
Trinity Psalter Hymnal #86A, Verses 1–6

## **Hymn**

“Zion, Founded On The Mountains”  
Trinity Psalter Hymnal #87A

## **Tithes And Offerings**

### **\*Gloria Patri**

Trinity Psalter Hymnal #572

## **Prayer Of Intercession**

Tom Lueck

### **\*Hymn**

“Give To Our God Immortal Praise”  
Trinity Psalter Hymnal #215

## **Sermon**

Genesis 3:17–19 (Page 3) [Genesis, 33]  
Rev. Taylor Wright

### **\*Closing Hymn**

“O God Our Help In Ages Past”  
Trinity Psalter Hymnal #222

### **\*Closing Prayer**

### **\*Benediction**

### **\*Congregational Response**

“Though Troubles Assail Us”  
Trinity Psalter Hymnal #246, Verse 4

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