### ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

"And he said with a loud voice, 'Fear God and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come."

-Revelation 14:7

Isaiah 5:1-7

March 22, 2020 Fourth Sunday in Lent 10:40 a.m.

# "Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of His praise be heard"

**Welcome and Announcements** 

Hymn Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder ALL SAINTS OLD

Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Savior's name! He has hushed the law's loud thunder, He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame: He has washed us with His blood, He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us, pitied us when enemies, Called us by His grace, and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes: He has washed us with His blood, He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing, though fierce temptation threaten hard to bear us down! For the Lord, our strong salvation, holds in view the conqu'ror's crown: He who washed us with His blood soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder; grace and justice join and point to mercy's store; When through grace in Christ our trust is, justice smiles and asks no more: He who washed us with His blood has secured our way to God.

Let us praise, and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high; Here they trusted Him before us, now their praises fill the sky: "You have washed us with Your blood; You are worthy, Lamb of God!"

Prayer of Adoration

# "Unless you repent, you will all likewise perish"

Old Testament Reading
This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

#### **General Prayer of Confession**

Our gracious Heavenly Father, we seek Your forgiveness of our many sins. We are truly sorry that we have forgotten Your many blessings and ignored Your bountiful provisions. Forgive us, we pray, and produce in us, by Your word and Spirit, fruit in keeping with repentance that we may exhibit the righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

**Silent Prayers of Confession** 

Prayer of Intercession

Assurance of Forgiveness Pastor Heath Cross

Special Music

O God Beyond all Praising Mr. Jerry Jennings, solo

### "The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul"

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Lesson Luke 20:9–18

All flesh is grass, and all its loveliness is like the flower of the field.

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God stands forever.

Sermon Violence in the Vineyard Pastor Jim Bachmann

**Prayer of Supplication** 

Hymn All You That Fear Jehovah's Name PARK STREET

All you that fear Jehovah's name, His glory tell, His praise proclaim; You children of His chosen race, stand in awe before His face, Stand in awe before His face.

The suff'ring one He has not spurned, who unto Him for help has turned; From him He has not hid His face, but answered his request in grace, But answered his request in grace.

O Lord, your goodness makes me raise amid Your people songs of praise; Before all them that fear You, now I worship You and pay my vow, I worship You and pay my vow.

For all the meek You will provide; they shall be fed and satisfied; All they that seek the Lord shall live and neverending praises give, And neverending praises give.

The Lord's unfailing righteousness all generations shall confess;
From age to age shall men be taught what wondrous works
the Lord has wrought,
What wondrous works the Lord has wrought.

Benediction

# – ANNOUNCEMENTS –

**Greetings:** We welcome each of you to our time of virtual worship this morning! You may give your offering through the church website or mail a check to the church office. Although our church office is closed indefinitely, we are monitoring the phones and email. Please let us know if you need any assistance. All events at the church have been canceled until further notice.

**Facebook and YouTube:** During this time of "social distancing," it would be easy to become isolated. The church has created two social media platforms for video streaming and live interaction. You can watch our live streams on Facebook (SVCNashville) or on our YouTube channel called Stephens Valley Church Nashville. We will give live updates and regular devotionals on our Facebook page so be sure to subscribe and share with others.

**Sympathy:** Please remember Jim and Peggy Shackleford in your prayers as they mourn the passing of their son-in-law, Mr. Jim Curtis, last Tuesday.

**SVC Women's Bible Study:** Our Tuesday Bible studies have been canceled indefinitely. We encourage you to be diligent in study and prayer while you are away from the large group.

<u>"Marks of an Effective Church":</u> We regret to announce that the conference featuring Alistair Begg has been postponed due to COVID-19. We are working to reschedule this exciting opportunity.

**GriefShare and DivorceCare:** We are happy to announce that both courses now offer online teaching and group discussions. For more information, please contact Jan Evett.

**Membership:** Beginning Sunday, April 5, Pastor Jim will host *Starting Point*, a class designed for visitors who wish to inquire about church membership. The class will meet each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the church office suite.

**Should We Baptize Babies and Is Christ Present in the Lord's Supper?** Are you curious about our church's view of the sacraments? Do you have questions about baptism and the Lord's Supper? For the month of April, Pastor Heath Cross will teach a Sunday School class on this topic. Join him at 9:30 a.m. in the Solid Rock Cafe for a biblical introduction to the sacraments.

**Women's Conference:** Our event with Nancy Hicks has been rescheduled for Saturday, September 12.

**Tornado Relief:** Several SVC families were affected by the deadly tornado that came through our area. The Elders have established a designated fund to provide financial assistance for our people. Our goal is to raise a minimum of \$10,000 over the next couple of weeks. Our shepherd elders will oversee the distribution of these funds in conjunction with our deacons who serve on the Benevolence Committee. We ask that this donation be above and beyond your regular tithes and offerings. If you write a check, please be sure to put "Tornado Relief" in the memo line. You can mail the check to the church (6000 Pasquo Road, Nashville, TN 37221) or you can make a donation online through the church website.



"There aren't enough words to express our gratitude to you. You have literally been the hands and feet of Jesus through your love, your meals and hospitality, your financial assistance, your prayers, hugs, tears, and even doing our laundry! In countless ways—big and small—Scott and I have experienced the reality of Matthew 16:18, "Upon this rock, I will build my church and the gates of hell will not prevail against it." You've been THE CHURCH in the midst of this actual storm, and we're unbelievably grateful to you and humbled by you. We love you and thank you."

Scott and Gaye Parnell

"To our SVC family, We give thanks to God for you all! The outpouring of His love was overwhelming. Thank you for the manual labor, gift cards, money, messages of support, hugs and prayers. Our words can't express our gratitude. Through your kindness and generosity we are able to praise God for this situation and we look forward in hope."

Kevin and Melissa Burr

"I want to thank everyone at Stephens Valley Church for all the prayers, offers of help, hugs and expressions of concern after the tornado. It is wonderful to have such a loving family."

Susan Keaton

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