

**Prayers of Preparation:** This week your session wrote the following prayers to prepare us for worship, for encountering the living God, for knowing the Spirit at the level of the heart. Pick one of these prayers and pray it this week. Or write one of your own.

**Dear Heavenly Father, Son and Spirit,** overwhelm me with your presence. Uncover the sins in my heart that keep me from serving you and loving your people at Arbor Dale and beyond. Help me Holy Spirit to be more attentive to your nudges and be more willing to go outside of my comfort zone and say yes to trusting you as you call me to serve in particular ways that are unique to me and to the people whom you've called me to serve. Help me to encourage my brothers and sisters to recognize the ways you have gifted them and called them to serve you as well. In Jesus Holy Name I pray, Amen.

**Dear Heavenly Father,** Come into my heart. Clear away any and all the darkness that lurks there. Make my heart more like yours. May I see and love others as you see us. Amen.

**Lord Jesus,** make me more attentive and obedient to the gift, comfort and counsel of your Holy Spirit; keep it ever present in every aspect of my life. In your name, Amen.

**Lord,** fill me with your Holy Spirit, especially in the areas where I need it most, so that I can be a better servant to you and the flock at Arbor Dale and to carry out your will. In your precious name, Amen.

**Heavenly Father,** Help me receive the gift of your Spirit. Set my heart on fire for loving, serving, and trusting my brothers and sisters at Arbordale. In Jesus name, Amen.

**Loving Father,** Open my heart so I can know your heart and share it with others. In Jesus' name, Amen.

*Welcome!*

We are grateful that you joined us today and would love to keep in touch. After worship, please join us downstairs for refreshments provided by Arbor Dale's Faithfulness Group.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Refreshments for next Sunday:** Joy Group.  
Contact Brie Young-Powell 540-969-9523.

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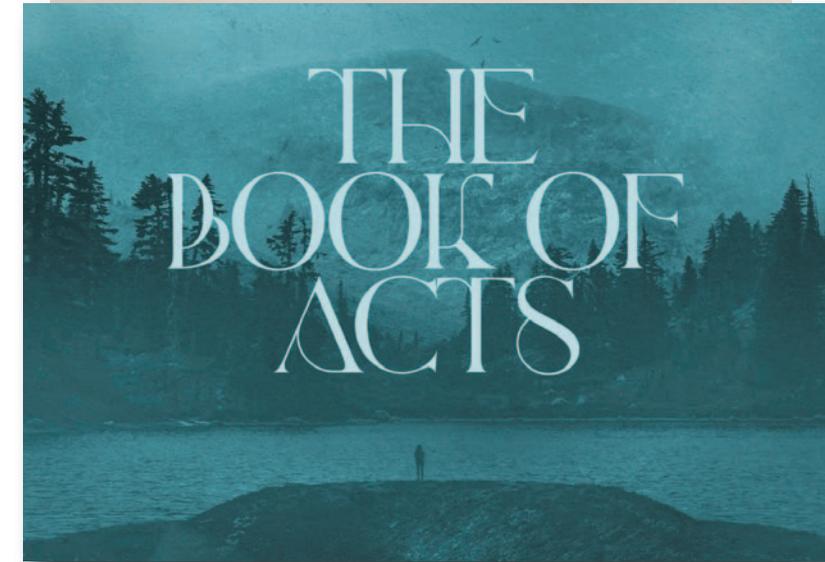
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Service for the Lord's Day

29 May 2022



**GREETING**

Leader: Christ is risen!

**All: He is risen indeed!**

**PRELUDE**

Sanctuary  
(follow along with insert)

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 95:1-7

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

**All: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.**

Leader: For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

**All: Come, let us bow down in worship let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.**

\* **HYMN OF PRAISE #11** Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Jesus says to us, "You must be born again." What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. The wind blows where it wills and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes; so it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit, who convicts us of our sin and leads us into all righteousness.

\* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Almighty God, our Father, to you all hearts are open, all desires are known, and from you no secrets are hidden.**

(A Moment of Silence)

**Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the fire of your Holy Spirit, blow through us by the breath of your life to take away all that kills, pour out into us the water of life so that we may not fear. Give us your Spirit that is your love so that we might love you and magnify your holy name, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

\* **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Hear these words of promise spoken by Ezekiel, "For I will take you out of the nations; I will gather you from all the countries and bring you back into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols.

*I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. Then you will live in the land I gave your ancestors; you will be my people, and I will be your God. I will save you."*

*Friends in Christ, by the power of the Spirit, we are made new, made clean, made God's forever. Amen.*

\* **PASSING THE PEACE**

\* **DOXOLGY**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him, all creatures here below  
Praise Him above the Heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. ~ Amen*

\* **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

From 1 Timothy

Leader: This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance:

**All: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.**

Leader: There is one God; there is one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus,  
**All: who gave himself as a ransom for all, to whom we testify.**

Leader: Great indeed is the mystery of our religion:

**All: He was revealed in flesh, vindicated in spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed in throughout the world, taken up in glory.**

\* **HYMN OF PREPARATION**

See How Good it Is  
(See insert)

**SCRIPTURE AND SERMON**

Acts 2:37-41  
Cut to the Heart

\* **COMMUNION HYMN**

Lord, I Need You (See insert)

\* **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes In the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

\* **HYMN OF SENDING**

#151 A Mighty Fortress  
is Our God

\* **BENEDICTION**