

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology — #731

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE

*Closing Hymn

#672— *Trust and Obey*

*Benediction

Postlude

Prayer is available after the service at the back of the sanctuary.

Leading Today's Service

Pastor	Mark Tippin	Liturgist	Tim Schenk
Accompanist	Veronica Turner	Head Usher	Leith Culver
Greeter	Kim Brattis		
Communion servers		Zach Vreeman, Brian Christensen, Greg Irwin, Heidi Walker	

Grace Reformed Church at City Park is a member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. For more information about Grace Reformed and the EPC denomination, visit our website and Facebook page. In addition to our Lord's Day Morning and Evening worship, the sanctuary is open for prayer Monday-Thursday, 6:30am-Noon.

If you have any questions, prayer requests, or are ready and excited to join our mission to reach all of Casper for Christ, contact any of us immediately!

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Morning Worship - 9:30am | Rev. Mark Tippin



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, December 2, 2018

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

**Please stand if you are able*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Advent Wreath The Fankhauser Family

GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE FOR WORSHIP

*Invocation

*Call to Worship

Leader: O Wisdom proceeding from the mouth of the highest, reaching from eternity to eternity and disposing all things with strength and sweetness.

People: Come, teach us the way of knowledge.

Leader: O Lord and Leader of Israel. You appeared to Moses in the burning bush and delivered the law to him on Sinai.

People: Come, redeem us by your outstretched arm.

Leader: O Root of Jesse, you stand as a sign of the people; before you rulers do not open their mouths; to you all nations shall pray.

People: Come and deliver us, do not delay.

*Advent Hymn

#194— *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

GOD HEARS OUR CONFESSION

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, we are grateful for the promise of your forgiveness. We desperately need it! So many things have crowded thoughts of you out of our minds this past week. Sadly, we confess that our anxieties have been more real to us than your peace. We have had a tendency to focus more on our wants than on our worship of you. Lord, we know that these practices must grieve your loving heart; forgive us, cleanse us and restore us, strengthen us, not because our faith is so great, but because you love us so radically. In Jesus' amazing name.

(Personal Confession) **Amen!**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Brothers and sisters, hear, believe and receive the good news of the Gospel -- in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God for his grace!

Passing of the Peace

Leader: Peace be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Gloria Patri— #735

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Anthem

GOD BRINGS US HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Scripture

Jeremiah 33:14, Pew Bible [Blue] p. 662, [Red] p. 841

New Testament Scripture

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13, Pew Bible [Blue] p. 987, [Red] p. 1256

Sermon

Pastor Mark Tippin

OUR RESPONSE TO HIS WORD

Sacrament of Communion

*Communion Hymn

#193—*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* (vv.1-3)

Nicene Creed (in unison) Hymnal p. 846

Words of Institution

Distribution of Elements

Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

We bless you for the means of grace; teach us to see in them your loving purposes and the joy and strength of our souls. You have prepared for us a feast; and though we are unworthy to sit down as guests, we wholly rest on the merits of Jesus, and hide ourselves beneath his righteousness. When we hear this tender invitation and see his wondrous grace, we cannot hesitate, but must come to you in love. By your Spirit enliven our faith rightly to discern and spiritually to apprehend the Saviour.

In the supper we remember his eternal love, boundless grace, infinite compassion, agony, cross, and redemption, and receive assurance of pardon, adoption, life, and glory. As the outward elements nourish our bodies, so may your indwelling Spirit invigorate our souls, until that day when we hunger and thirst no more and sit with Jesus at his heavenly feast. Amen

*Communion Hymn

#193—*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* (v. 4)