

# Morning Order of Worship

Sioux Center United Reformed Church

Sunday, May 19, 2024

**“HE WHO HAS EARS TO HEAR, LET HIM HEAR.”**

Scripture: Mark 4:1-20

May 19, 2024 AM

Rev. Jon Bushnell

## OPENING OF SERVICE

- \* Call to Worship
- \* Prayer of Invocation
- \* God’s Greeting
- \* Psalm of Praise: 65C:1,3,5,6 *Praise Waits for Thee in Zion*

## SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION

Call to Confession

Hymn of Confession: 506:1-4 *Weary of Earth, and Laden with My Sin*

Assurance of Pardon

## SERVICE OF GRATITUDE

God’s Will for Our Lives

Congregational Prayer

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

- \* Hymn of Preparation: 173 *Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast*
- Prayer of Illumination
- Scripture: Mark 4:1-20
- Message: **“HE WHO HAS EARS TO HEAR, LET HIM HEAR.”**
- Prayer of Application

## SERVICE OF COMMUNION

Hymn of Preparation: 241 *O God beyond All Praising*

Offering: Christian Education Fund (received during song)

Exhortation (pg 39)

Communion

## CLOSING OF SERVICE

Thanksgiving Offertory Prayer

Psalm of Thanksgiving: 30:1-3 *O LORD, I Will Extol You*

Offering: Benevolence Fund (received during song)

- \* Benediction
- \* Doxology: 216:3,5 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* (unannounced)

*\*Please stand if you are able*

1. Sowing Seed – *The purpose of parables*

2. Rooting and Growing – *The explanation of the parable*

3. Bearing Fruit – *The point of the parable*

## Questions for Personal and Family Devotions

1. Why did Jesus teach in parables?
2. How are parables like stained glass windows?
3. What is the seed? Who is the sower?
4. What do the four soils represent?
5. How are you hearing God’s word?
6. How are you responding to God’s word? Is your heart like shallow ground, or are you deeply rooted in the grace of God?
7. Are pain and pleasure distracting you from the work that God wants to do in your life?
8. What are you doing to help people hear the gospel?

# Evening Order of Worship

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## THE CHURCH GATHERS TOGETHER

- \* Call to Worship
- \* Prayer of Invocation
- \* God's Greeting
- \* Hymn of Praise: 459 *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

## TO AFFIRM OUR FAITH

- \* The Nicene Creed (pg 852)
- \* Hymn of Response: 460 *Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ*

## TO PRAISE GOD

- Psalm 80
- Psalm of Response: 80B *Great Shepherd Who Leadest Thy People*

## FOR SERVICE OF GRATITUDE

Congregational Prayer

## TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

- \* Hymn of Preparation: 458 *O Fountain of Unceasing Grace*
- The Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q/A 32, 33 (pg 970)
- Prayer of Illumination
- Scripture: Romans 3:19-4:12
- Message: **WHAT IS JUSTIFICATION?**
- Prayer of Application

## AND DEPARTS TO SERVE

- \* Psalm of Response: 32B *How Blest Is He Whose Trespass*
- Offertory Prayer
- Hymn of Thanksgiving: 237 *When All Your Mercies, O My God*
- Offering: General Fund (offering received during song)
- \* Benediction
- \* Doxology: 113B:1 *Praise God, O Servants of the Lord* (unannounced)

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## WHAT IS JUSTIFICATION?

The Westminster Shorter Catechism Q/A 32, 33

Scripture: Romans 3:19-4:12

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1. By Grace Alone
2. In Christ Alone
3. Through Faith Alone

## Questions for Personal and Family Devotions

1. What is justification?
2. Why is it important for us to know God's justice and our sin in order for us to understand and appreciate justification?
3. What are the negative and positive aspects of justification?
4. How does 2 Corinthians 5:21 teach a mutual imputation between Christ and believers?
5. Did you do anything to deserve justification?
6. What is the difference between the Roman Catholic and the Protestant understanding of justification? Is this an important difference?
7. Are you confident that God has declared you "not guilty" forever in his sight and that you are clothed in the righteousness of Christ, as if you had never sinner nor been a sinner, as if you were as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for you?