

Order of Service – June 13, 2021

Pastoral Greeting

Call to Worship: Psalm 113 (*ESV pg. 510*)

Invocation

* Psalm: 113B

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 35:1-15 (*ESV pg. 29*)

New Testament Reading: Philippians 3:7-14 (*ESV pg. 981*)

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Title & Text: *Faith-Filled Obedience in the Midst of Sorrow and Sin* – Genesis 35 (*NKJV pg. 25*)

Pastoral Prayer

* Psalm 1A

Presenting our Tithes and Offerings

* Doxology - Psalm 128B

* Pastoral Blessing

* = **PLEASE STAND IF ABLE**

(Page numbers for Scripture readings are: New King James (NKJV) or English Standard Version (ESV) pew Bibles)

- This week the precenter is Jake Goerner and the presiding elder is Greg Moberg – next week the precenter will be Daniel Carcich and the presiding elder will be Peter Robson.
- The Session decided to suspend Sunday School for the Summer – we will continue to have a short sermon discussion following a 10-minute break after Morning Worship. All other activities will continue as usual, except for the Sunday Evening Westminster Confession study and Midweek Elder Training class for the month of June.
- We will continue to provide the Zoom link each week for those unable to worship in-person.
- Pastor Somerville and Elder Pihl will represent our congregation at the RP Synod meeting this week. Please keep the Synod in prayer as the elders deal with important matters for the RPCNA.
- **Our annual Church Picnic** will be this coming Saturday at 12:30 at Eyer Park in East Rochester. Please check the email announcement for details, including the link to sign up for things to bring for the picnic.
- **Our June Fellowship Meal** will be next Sunday following the sermon discussion. Morgan Salisbury sent out the sign-up for this on June 6 – please check this to sign up for something to bring.
- **RP Global Missions Prayer Request** – Please pray for the church in South Sudan. The Cush4Christ team from the RPCNA partners with a local denomination called the South Sudan Community Church (SSCC), which began through the team's ministry. Thank God for the church that has started in the village of Malou - attendance at the Malou church typically numbers about 200 children, 50 women, 60 youth (late teens to mid-20s) and five men. Pray for continued spiritual growth among the church members and wisdom for a man named Thiik as he shepherds this flock. In 2014, Thiik was taken under care of the presbytery of the SSCC as a church leader in training. The Lord gave Thiik a wonderful wife five years ago. He has a strong, loving marriage and three small children. He has almost finished the church leader training program. Pastor Lucas Hanna, who has helped train Thiik, says that he is humble, teachable, and eager for further training. Lucas hopes that Thiik will soon be ordained. Thiik meets with the church youth once a month for Bible study and training. Pray for increasing godliness, love, peace, and unity among them. Thiik has two exams left to complete the pastoral training program. Pray that he could pass these tests at next month's presbytery meeting and be ordained. Pray also that the Lord would raise up ruling elders for the church so that it could be officially organized. Pray that the Lord would draw more men to faith, particularly the husbands of women in the church. Pray for the development of a diaconal ministry in the church that could help the many widows and others in the congregation who struggle to make ends meet.