



Josiah: Israel's Good King

February 21, 2021

Characters

2 Kings 1-20

Rev. Dr. Jim Glatz

Prelude

"Prelude in Classical Style"

Craig A. Penfield

Celebration of Community

Welcome to in person and online worship here at Saxe Gotha. For those here in person, we want to remind you to keep your masks on during the service to keep everyone healthy.

- Sunday evening Kids and Students programming resumes today at 4:00 pm.
- We have a new group for Kids, kindergarten - 3rd grade, called Seekers. Join us for the first meeting this evening at 4:00 pm - drop off at the preschool awning.
- Wednesday evening programming for adults begins on February 24 at 6:30 pm. Go to saxegotha.org/news for class locations.

We Gather to Worship

Music of Preparation

"His Eye Is on the Sparrow".....arr, Dino Kartsonakis

Call to Worship

Psalm 19: 1-11;14

Leader: The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple.

People: The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes. The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The ordinances of the LORD are sure and altogether righteous.

Leader: They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the comb. By them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

People: May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.

Opening Hymn

O Church Arise (#353 H.O.G.)

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Father, you are our loving God who desires an intimate relationship with us. We praise you for making yourself known to us through the glory of creation, the Holy Scriptures and your only begotten son Jesus Christ. Yet we confess that even though you have revealed yourself and have shown us how to live a godly life, we have lived life on our own terms. Rather than following your ways, which are right and good, we have often lived in conformity with the ways of this broken world and our sinful hearts. We have no excuse for not living in accord with your will. Forgive us, Lord. Give us the strength to obey you so that you may be glorified in all that we say and do. For we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Hebrews 8:10-12

This is the covenant I will establish with the people of Israel after that time, declares the Lord.

I will put my laws in their minds and write them on their hearts.

I will be their God,

and they will be my people.
11 No longer will they teach their neighbor,
or say to one another, 'Know the Lord,'
because they will all know me,
from the least of them to the greatest.
12 For I will forgive their wickedness
and will remember their sins no more."

Affirmation of Faith

From the Westminster Confession

The authority of the Holy Scripture, for which it ought to be believed and obeyed, dependeth not upon the testimony of any man or church, but wholly upon God (who is truth itself), the author thereof; and therefore it is to be received, because it is the Word of God....The whole counsel of God, concerning all things necessary for his own glory, man's salvation, faith, and life, is either expressly set down in Scripture, or by good and necessary consequence may be deduced from Scripture: unto which nothing at any time is to be added, whether by new revelations of the Spirit, or traditions of men.

Gloria Patri

Children's Message(Video)

Passing of the Peace

Offertory Hymn

516 "Redeemed, How I love to proclaim it!"

Offertory Prayer

Thank you to all who participated in Drive Thru Prayer this past Tuesday!

Anthem(VIDEO)

"Awesome God"

Bumper Video

"Characters"

We Hear God's Word

Message

Josiah: Israel's Good King (2 Kings 1-20)

We Respond to God's Word

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Invitation and Benediction

Closing Hymn

434 Revive Us Again

Postlude

"How Firm a Foundation" Jason D. Payne

The **Cradle Cross and Rosebud** in the Sanctuary this Sunday, February 21 is in honor of Emily Jane Williamson born January 21, 2021. Emily is the daughter of Brent & Carol Williamson and granddaughter of David and Vicki Williamson.