

A community of believers devoted to the apostles' doctrine and fellowship in the breaking of bread and in prayers

Order of Worship - November 19, 2023

Call to worship and pastoral prayer

Hymnal #401: The Church's One Foundation

Scripture Reading: Psalm 64

Overhead: Promises

Sermon: Protected, Preserved & Raised

Revelation 11:1-14

Prayer of response to sermon

Overhead: He Will Hold Me Fast

Overhead: Christ is Mine Forevermore

The Lord's Supper

Overhead: Never Cease to Praise

Who are to come to the Lord's Table?

Born-again baptized believers, not practicing willful unrepentant sin, who are united to Christ as part of a sound evangelical church.

Those who are displeased with themselves because of their sins but nevertheless trust that their sins are pardoned and that their continuing weakness is covered by the suffering and death of Christ, and who also desire more and more to strengthen their faith. The Heidelberg Catechism Q.81

1 Corinthians 11:27-30 admonishes us to partake of the Table with self-examination and careful regard for the body of Christ. Failure to do so may subject us to chastisement. If you have significant conflict with others in the church, please refrain from participating today and make efforts to reconcile. You may give cheerfully in the offering box or through the Zelle app.

Visitors

- ▶ Put your welcome card in the offering box, we have free resources for you!
- ▶ During the sermon: Nursery for children under age 3. Class for ages 4-6 on 1st & 3rd Sundays.
- ▶ Free evangelism materials in the foyer upstairs.
- ▶ Elders are available after service to pray or answer questions.

After Service

Thanksgiving Agape Fellowship

Elders Joseph LoSardo Damien Garofalo Eli Adamo Ibrahim Haro

Deacons (Wayne)
Sal Molinaro
Paul Chiagoro
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Sermon Outline

Protected, Preserved & Raised

Revelation 11:1-14

- I. Introduction: Keeping the eternal perspective; where we are in the book; and a word about methods of interpretation
- II. Exposition: What will become of the saints during the time of tribulation?
 - A. The saints will be divinely protected (vv.1-2)
 - Not one of them will be lost (John 6:39; 10:27-29)
 - There will be trouble without, but peace within (John 16:33;
 Ps 46:4-7)
 - B. The saints will faithfully endure to the end (vv.3-10)
 - They will be empowered to fulfill their mission (vv.3-6; Luke 21:10-19)
 - They will faithfully testify of the gospel, even unto death (v.7-10; Rev 12:11-12)
 - C. The saints will be raised victorious (vv.11-12)
 - They will be honored and glorified
 - The unrepentant world will face final judgment and woe (vv.13-14)

III. Application:

- 1. The opportunity to respond to the gospel is now!
- 2. Our protection is certain, so we can face the future with confidence (Ps 46:9-10)
- 3. Keeping an eternal perspective will enable us to face persecution today (2 Cor 4:15ff)