

## *SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS*

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The elections are done with and they have consequences to quote Obama. ***Now our responsibility is to pray that God will guide our nation.*** We are all citizens of the greatest nation in the history of the world, and we have a right – a responsibility – to participate in choosing the direction of our country. ***We pray and support the policies that are in agreement with the Word of God.*** This is vital!

***We need to constantly remember our beginnings.*** From the outset of this nation, our leaders knew only God could make their experiment work. Many of them did not believe that God got involved in individual people's lives. But they knew that they – thirteen poor states with no military – were charting a course different from the rest of the world. They had no constitution, and they argued over everything. But on this they agreed: a farmer from Virginia named George Washington should lead them. Washington knew only one thing: without God's help, they would all die, and their plan would die with them. That knowledge, penned in his journals, drove his prayer life and his actions.

So, a group of Americans took on an impossible task: separate themselves from the great English Empire and create a new nation. Their Declaration of Independence ends with this line: ***"... with a firm Reliance on the Protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor."*** That was the vote that launched our country, and it cost many of those 56 men their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor.

As time passed, more Americans came to see errors that needed correction required that kind of commitment. Here in 2024, we stood at another of those crises. Our constitution was and still is under attack. Our leadership in the company of other great countries is now being restored. The dream that our children and their children could remain free and do well in the world has been treated like a mirage.

All we have left to keep the ship of state from sinking is the blessing of Divine Providence. ***Don't be left out pray and support those who honor God and His Word.*** 1 John 5:2-4 (New Century Version):

***This is how we know we love God's children: when we love God and obey His commands. Loving God means obeying His commands. And God's commands are not too hard for us, because everyone who is a child of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world—our faith.***

# Welcome!

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*"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so they can have life. I want them to have it in the fullest possible way."*

### **SERVICES**

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 AM

Unity in Prayer: 6:00 – 7:00 PM

Wednesday – Bible Study: 7:00 PM; Kid's Club

Prayer ½ hour before services

*ANNOUNCEMENTS*



**Wednesday Bible Study** – we continue our study of the Rapture of the church.

**Prayer** – every Sunday evening from 6 to 7. We join together to pray in an informal way, come as you are and pray as you wish. God honors the church that prays together.

**Flagging Practice** will begin again on Wednesday night, the 19<sup>th</sup> of February at 6:00 PM. For more information please see Debbie DeVries.

**Free Music CDs & DVDs** – in the foyer, on the pulpit there are numerous CDs and DVDs which are free. Please take a look and see what you might want.

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TEXT: Psalm 89:15

I. **A POWERFUL KNOWLEDGE**

II. **A SOUNDING OF TRUMPETS**

III. \_\_\_\_\_ **IS OUR JUBILEE!** Isaiah 61:1-2; Psalm 68:17-18; 47:5; Colossians 2:15

The enemies of Christ exist only by His \_\_\_\_\_. Psalm 2:9  
Christ ascended into Glory not only as our conquering King, but as our High Priest – to make \_\_\_\_\_ for us! Hebrews 9:11; Revelation 1:12-13; Ephesians 4:8; Psalm 68:18-19

“Our Savior has given us every gift and \_\_\_\_\_ we need to live in \_\_\_\_\_!” Hebrews 9:24 & 7:25

Christ does it \_\_\_\_\_ for us!

A. **First, some of us imagine Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ before the Father, \_\_\_\_\_ with Him to show us mercy when we \_\_\_\_\_.**

B. **Second, Christ's intercession for us means He makes sure we \_\_\_\_\_ and enjoy all the \_\_\_\_\_ provided by Jubilee.**

Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jubilee for us.

C. **Third, Jesus intercedes in our own \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ us with the Father.**

Psalm 89:15-18; 1 Corinthians 15:51-52; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

God wants a \_\_\_\_\_ for us that is full of joy no matter our \_\_\_\_\_.

Let us act \_\_\_\_\_, giving all to Him.