

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, Or watch, or weep this night, And give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, Bless the dying, soothe the suffering, Pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; And all for your love's sake. Amen.

# The Order for the Public Worship of God

Sunday Evening, January 5, 2025



Welcome

Preparation for Worship

Prelude

### GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD, who stand by night in the house of the Lord!

Lift up your hands to the holy place and bless the LORD!

May the LORD bless you from Zion, he who made heaven and earth!

How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place



\*Please stand during these portions of the service.

\*A room with the service's live stream is available down the hallway in case parents need to step out with their children\*



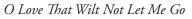
that all the chosen race may, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.

Isaac Watts, 1707 Alt. 1961, 1990, mod. ST. COLUMBA C.M. Old Irish hymn melody; alt. 1990

\*Prayer of Invocation

#### GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESS

First Scripture Lesson
*Sung Response
The Children's Lesson
Prayer of the Covenant
Catechism Lesson The Shorter Catechism: Questions 70–72
Q. 70. What is the seventh commandment?
A. The seventh commandment is, You shall not commit adultery.
Q. 71. What is required in the seventh commandment?
A. The seventh commandment requires the preservation of our own and our neighbor's chastity, in heart, speech and behavior.
Q. 72. What is forbidden in the seventh commandment?
A. The seventh commandment forbids all unchaste thoughts, words and actions.







#### God Takes His People to the Cross

Second Scripture Lesson				
Preaching of the WordRev. Nathan McCall				
Seeing God's Hand at Work				
Prayer of Thanksgiving				
*Gloria Patri				
Glory be to the Father				
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;				
as it was in the beginning,				
is now and ever shall be,				
world without end. Amen, amen.				

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Now and forever more. Amen.

Postlude



# First Scripture Lesson

<sup>1</sup> And the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. <sup>2</sup> The rich man had very many flocks and herds, <sup>3</sup> but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. And he brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children. It used to eat of his morsel and drink from his cup and lie in his arms, and it was like a daughter to him. <sup>4</sup>Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was unwilling to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the guest who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb and prepared it for the man who had come to him." <sup>5</sup> Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man, and he said to Nathan, "As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die, <sup>6</sup> and he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity."

<sup>7</sup>Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, 'I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you out of the hand of Saul. 8 And I gave you your master's house and your master's wives into your arms and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah. And if this were too little, I would add to you as much more. 9 Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword and have taken his wife to be your wife and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. <sup>10</sup> Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised me and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife.' <sup>11</sup> Thus says the LORD, 'Behold, I will raise up evil against you out of your own house. And I will take your wives before your eyes and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this sun. 12 For you did it secretly, but I will do this thing before all Israel and before the sun."" 13 David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD." And Nathan said to David, "The LORD also has put away your sin; you shall not die. <sup>14</sup>Nevertheless, because by this deed you have utterly scorned the LORD, the child who is born to you shall die." <sup>15</sup> Then Nathan went to his house.

2 Samuel 12:1–15, ESV

# Second Scripture Lesson

<sup>1</sup> In the month of Nisan, in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was before him, I took up the wine and gave it to the king. Now I had not been sad in his presence. <sup>2</sup> And the king said to me, "Why is your face sad, seeing you are not sick? This is nothing but sadness of the heart." Then I was very much afraid. <sup>3</sup>I said to the king, "Let the king live forever! Why should not my face be sad, when the city, the place of my fathers' graves, lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire?" <sup>4</sup> Then the king said to me, "What are you requesting?" So I prayed to the God of heaven. <sup>5</sup>And I said to the king, "If it pleases the king, and if your servant has found favor in your sight, that you send me to Judah, to the city of my fathers' graves,

that I may rebuild it." <sup>6</sup>And the king said to me (the queen sitting beside him), "How long will you be gone, and when will you return?" So it pleased the king to send me when I had given him a time. <sup>7</sup>And I said to the king, "If it pleases the king, let letters be given me to the governors of the province Beyond the River, that they may let me pass through until I come to Judah, <sup>8</sup> and a letter to Asaph, the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the fortress of the temple, and for the wall of the city, and for the house that I shall occupy." And the king granted me what I asked, for the good hand of my God was upon me.

Nehemiah 2:1–8, ESV

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