

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 12, 2025



Welcome

Preparation for Worship

Prelude

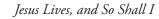
#### GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

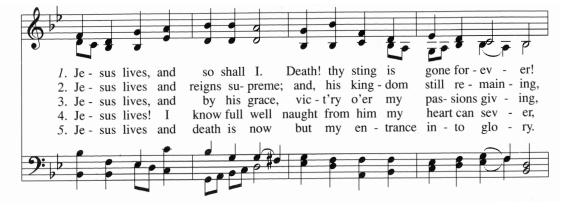
Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD,

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!





<sup>\*</sup>Please stand during these portions of the service.

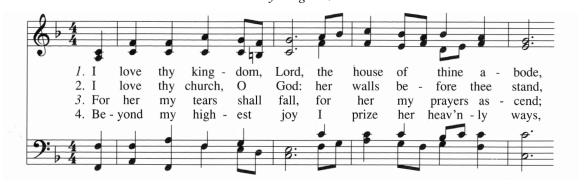
<sup>\*</sup>A room with the service's live stream is available down the hallway in case parents need to step out with their children\*

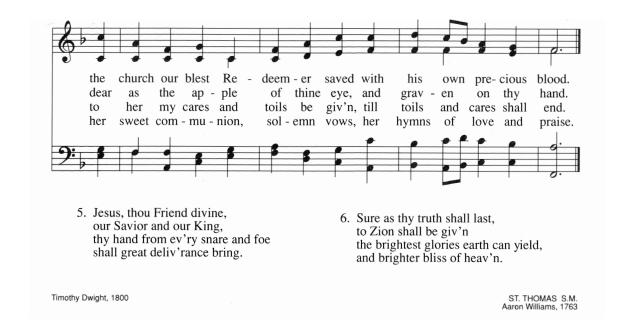


<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of Invocation

#### GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESS

| First Scripture Lesson   |
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| *Sung Response   |
| Here the Redeemer's welcome voice spreads heavenly peace around;<br>And life and everlasting joys attend the blissful sound. |
| The Children's Lesson  |
| Prayer of the Covenant   |
| Catechism Lesson   |
| Q. 73. What is the eighth commandment?   |
| A. The eighth commandment is, You shall not steal.   |
| Q. 74. What is required in the eighth commandment?   |
| A. The eighth commandment requires the lawful procuring and furthering the wealth and outward estate of ourselves and others |
| Q. 75. What is forbidden in the eighth commandment?  |
| A. The eighth commandment forbids whatsoever does or may unjustly hinder our own or our neighbor's wealth or outward estate. |
| *Hymn of Love for God's Kingdom  |





### GOD TAKES HIS PEOPLE TO THE CROSS

| Second Scripture Lesson                      |
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| Preaching of the Word                        |
| the wegare of Goa's reopie                   |
| 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.               |
| *Benediction                                 |
| Peace to all of you who are in Christ. Amen. |
| Postlude                                     |

### First Scripture Lesson

And the LORD afflicted the child that Uriah's wife bore to David, and he became sick. 16 David therefore sought God on behalf of the child. And David fasted and went in and lay all night on the ground. 17 And the elders of his house stood beside him, to raise him from the ground, but he would not, nor did he eat food with them. 18 On the seventh day the child died. And the servants of David were afraid to tell him that the child was dead, for they said, "Behold, while the child was yet alive, we spoke to him, and he did not listen to us. How then can we say to him the child is dead? He may do himself some harm." 19 But when David saw that his servants were whispering together, David understood that the child was dead. And David said to his servants, "Is the child dead?" They said, "He is dead." 20 Then David arose from the earth and washed and anointed himself and changed his clothes. And he went into the house of the LORD and worshiped. He then went to his own house. And when he asked, they set food before him, and he ate. 21 Then his servants said to him, "What is this thing that you have done? You fasted and wept for the child while he was alive; but when the child died, you arose and ate food." 22 He said, "While the child was still alive, I fasted and wept, for I said, 'Who knows whether the LORD will be gracious to me, that the child may live?' 23 But now he is dead. Why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he will not return to me."

<sup>24</sup> Then David comforted his wife, Bathsheba, and went in to her and lay with her, and she bore a son, and he called his name Solomon. And the LORD loved him <sup>25</sup> and sent a message by Nathan the prophet. So he called his name Jedidiah, because of the LORD.

<sup>26</sup> Now Joab fought against Rabbah of the Ammonites and took the royal city. <sup>27</sup> And Joab sent messengers to David and said, "I have fought against Rabbah; moreover, I have taken the city of waters. <sup>28</sup> Now then gather the rest of the people together and encamp against the city and take it, lest I take the city and it be called by my name." <sup>29</sup> So David gathered all the people together and went to Rabbah and fought against it and took it. 30 And he took the crown of their king from his head. The weight of it was a talent of gold, and in it was a precious stone, and it was placed on David's head. And he brought out the spoil of the city, a very great amount. <sup>31</sup> And he brought out the people who were in it and set them to labor with saws and iron picks and iron axes and made them toil at the brick kilns. And thus he did to all the cities of the Ammonites. Then David and all the people returned to Jerusalem.

2 Samuel 12:15b-31, ESV

### Second Scripture Lesson

<sup>9</sup>Then I came to the governors of the province Beyond the River and gave them the king's letters. Now the king had sent with me officers of the army and horsemen. <sup>10</sup>But when Sanballat the Horonite and Tobiah the Ammonite servant heard this, it displeased them greatly that someone had come to seek the welfare of the people of Israel.

<sup>11</sup> So I went to Jerusalem and was there three days. <sup>12</sup> Then I arose in the night, I and a few men with me. And I told no one what my God had put into my heart to do for Jerusalem. There was no animal with me but the one on which I rode. <sup>13</sup> I went out by night by the Valley Gate to the Dragon Spring and to the Dung Gate, and I inspected the walls of Jerusalem that were broken down and its gates that had been destroyed by fire. <sup>14</sup> Then I went on to the Fountain Gate and to the King's Pool, but there was no room for the animal that was under me to pass. <sup>15</sup> Then I went up in the night by the valley and inspected the wall, and I turned back and entered by the Valley Gate, and so returned.

<sup>16</sup> And the officials did not know where I had gone or what I was doing, and I had not yet told the Jews, the priests, the nobles, the officials, and the rest who were to do the work.

<sup>17</sup> Then I said to them, "You see the trouble we are in, how Jerusalem lies in ruins with its gates burned. Come, let us build the wall of Jerusalem, that we may no longer suffer derision." <sup>18</sup> And I told them of the hand of my God that had been upon me for good, and also of the words that the king had spoken to me. And they said, "Let us rise up and build." So they strengthened their hands for the good work. <sup>19</sup> But when Sanballat the Horonite and Tobiah the Ammonite servant and Geshem the Arab heard of it, they jeered at us and despised us and said, "What is this thing that you are doing? Are you rebelling against the king?" 20 Then I replied to them, "The God of heaven will make us prosper, and we his servants will arise and build, but you have no portion or right or claim in Jerusalem."

Nehemiah 2:9–20, ESV

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