

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, July 6, 2025



Welcome

Preparation for Worship

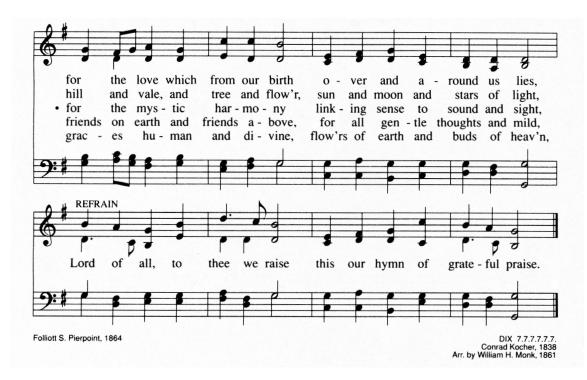
Prelude

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! *Hymn of Praise.....Trinity Hymnal, 116 For the Beauty of the Earth 1. For the beau - ty of the earth. of the skies, for the glo - ry 2. For the beau - ty of each hour of the day the night, and of 3. For the joy of ear and eve. for the heart and mind's de - light, 4. For the joy hu - man love, of broth - er. sis ter. par - ent, child, 5. For each per - fect gift of thine to our race so free - ly giv'n,

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*Prayer of Invocation

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESS

Prayer of the Covenant

Q. 23. What offices does Christ execute as our redeemer?

A. Christ, as our redeemer, executes the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.

Q. 24. How does Christ execute the office of a prophet?

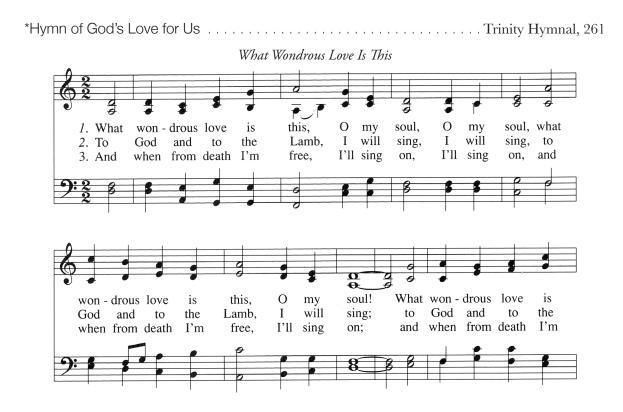
A. Christ executes the office of a prophet, in revealing to us, by his word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

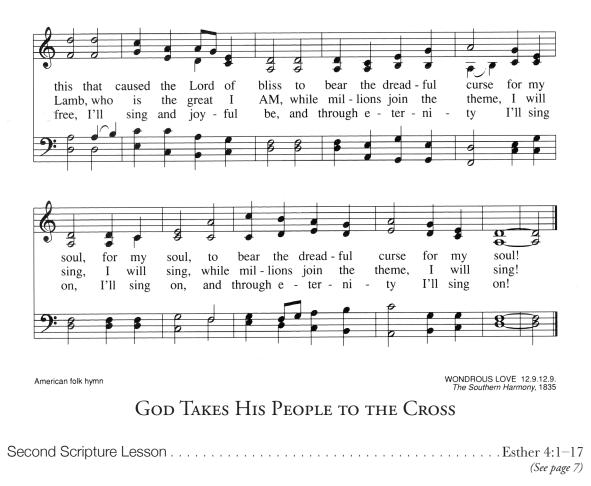
Q. 25. How does Christ execute the office of a priest?

A. Christ executes the office of a priest, in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God; and in making continual intercession for us.

Q. 26. How does Christ execute the office of a king?

A. Christ executes the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.





Preaching of the Word Rev. Drew Abercrombie

Sermon Title

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it. *Amen.*

Postlude



Second Scripture Lesson

¹ When Mordecai learned all that had been done, Mordecai tore his clothes and put on sackcloth and ashes, and went out into the midst of the city, and he cried out with a loud and bitter cry. ² He went up to the entrance of the king's gate, for no one was allowed to enter the king's gate clothed in sackcloth. ³ And in every province, wherever the king's command and his decree reached, there was great mourning among the Jews, with fasting and weeping and lamenting, and many of them lay in sackcloth and ashes.

⁴ When Esther's young women and her eunuchs came and told her, the queen was deeply distressed. She sent garments to clothe Mordecai, so that he might take off his sackcloth, but he would not accept them. ⁵ Then Esther called for Hathach, one of the king's eunuchs, who had been appointed to attend her, and ordered him to go to Mordecai to learn what this was and why it was. ⁶Hathach went out to Mordecai in the open square of the city in front of the king's gate, ⁷ and Mordecai told him all that had happened to him, and the exact sum of money that Haman had promised to pay into the king's treasuries for the destruction of the Jews. 8 Mordecai also gave him a copy of the written decree issued in Susa for their destruction, that he might show it to Esther and explain it to her and command her to go to the king to beg his favor and plead with him on behalf of her people.

⁹ And Hathach went and told Esther what Mordecai had said. ¹⁰ Then Esther spoke to Hathach and commanded him to go to Mordecai and say, ¹¹ "All the king's servants and the people of the king's provinces know that if any man or woman goes to the king inside the inner court without being called, there is but one law—to be put to death, except the one to whom the king holds out the golden scepter so that he may live. But as for me, I have not been called to come in to the king these thirty days."

12 And they told Mordecai what Esther had said. ¹³Then Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, "Do not think to yourself that in the king's palace you will escape any more than all the other Jews. ¹⁴ For if you keep silent at this time, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. And who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" ¹⁵ Then Esther told them to reply to Mordecai, ¹⁶ "Go, gather all the Jews to be found in Susa, and hold a fast on my behalf, and do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my young women will also fast as you do. Then I will go to the king, though it is against the law, and if I perish, I perish." 17 Mordecai then went away and did everything as Esther had ordered him.

Esther 4:1-17, ESV

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