

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, August 20, 2023

6:00 p.m.



Welcome

Preparation for Worship

Prelude

#### GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

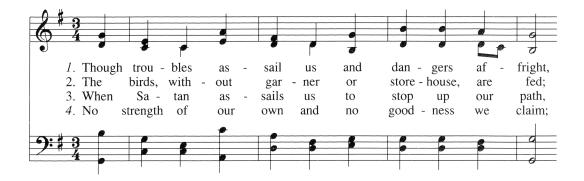
Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD,

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!

#### Though Troubles Assail Us

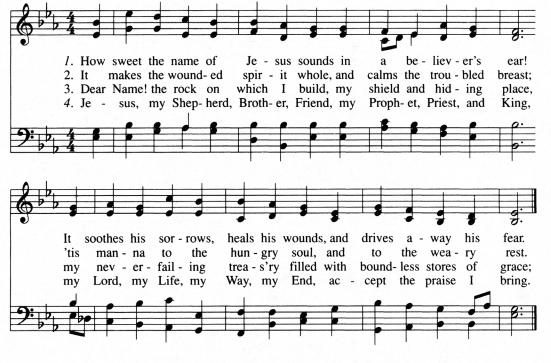




\*Prayer of Invocation

# GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESS

First Scripture Lesson
*Sung Response
Father of mercies, in your Word what endless glory shines; Forever be your name adored for these celestial lines.
The Children's Lesson
Prayer of the Covenant
Catechism Lesson
Q. 11. What are God's works of providence?
A. God's works of providence are his most holy, wise and powerful preserving and governing all his creatures, and all their actions.
Q. 12. What special act of providence did God exercise toward man in the estate wherein he was created?
A. When God had created man, he entered into a covenant of life with him, upon condition of perfect obedience; forbidding him to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, upon pain of death.
Q. 13. Did our first parents continue in the estate wherein they were created?
A. Our first parents, being left to the freedom of their own will, fell from the estate wherein they were created, by sinning against God.
Hymn of Love to ChristTrinity Hymnal, 647
How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds



5. Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought; but when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.

 Till then I would thy love proclaim with every fleeting breath; and may the music of thy name refresh my soul in death.

John Newton, 1779; alt.

ST. PETER C.M. Alexander R. Reinagle, 1836

#### GOD TAKES HIS PEOPLE TO THE CROSS

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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## First Scripture Lesson

<sup>1</sup> If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup> And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup> If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup> Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant <sup>5</sup> or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup> it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup> Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup> Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup> For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup> but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. <sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. <sup>12</sup> For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

<sup>13</sup> So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

1 Corinthians 13:1–13, ESV

## Second Scripture Lesson

<sup>12</sup> When I came to Troas to preach the gospel of Christ, even though a door was opened for me in the Lord, <sup>13</sup> my spirit was not at rest because I did not find my brother Titus there. So I took leave of them and went on to Macedonia.

<sup>14</sup> But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere. <sup>15</sup> For we are

the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing, <sup>16</sup> to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. Who is sufficient for these things? <sup>17</sup> For we are not, like so many, peddlers of God's word, but as men of sincerity, as commissioned by God, in the sight of God we speak in Christ.

2 Corinthians 2:12-17, ESV

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