

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, January 30, 2022

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup,
you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

1 Corinthians 11:26

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing*

Responsive Reading*

Psalm 67 (p. 808 in the *Trinity Hymnal*)

May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face shine upon us,

**that your ways may be known on earth,
your salvation among all nations.**

May the peoples praise you, O God;
may all the peoples praise you.

May the nations be glad and sing for joy,

for you rule the peoples justly
and guide the nations of the earth.

**May the peoples praise you, O God;
may all the peoples praise you.**

Then the land will yield its harvest,
and God, our God, will bless us.

**God will bless us,
and all the ends of the earth will fear him.**

* *Congregation is requested to stand, if able.*

Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands

Amidst us our Beloved stands,
And bids us view his pierced hands;
Points to the wounded feet and side,
Blest emblems of the Crucified.

What food luxurious loads the board,
When at his table sits the Lord!
The wine how rich, the bread how sweet,
When Jesus deigns the guests to meet!

If now, with eyes defiled and dim,
We see the signs, but see not him;
O may his love the scales displace,
And bid us see him face to face!

O glorious Bridegroom of our hearts,
Your present smile a heav'n imparts!
O lift the veil, if veil there be,
Let every saint your glory see! Amen.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Lord our God, you are very great! You are clothed with splendor and majesty, covering yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent. As we consider your glory and holiness, we are humbled and readily acknowledge our sinfulness.

All: We confess that we have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and we have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Leader: Forgive us, we pray, and grant that as we hear your assurance of pardon, we would accept, receive, and rest on Christ alone for justification, sanctification, and eternal life.

All: We ask all this through Jesus Christ, our risen and ascended Lord, who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

John 6:37-39

All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day.

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading*

Nahum 1:1-9

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 250

Throned upon the Awful Tree

Throned upon the awful tree,
King of grief, I watch with thee.
Darkness veils thine anguished face:
None its lines of woe can trace:
None can tell what pangs unknown
Hold thee silent and alone.

Silent through those three dread hours,
Wrestling with the evil pow'rs,
Left alone with human sin,
Gloom around thee and within,
Till th'appointed time is nigh,
Till the Lamb of God may die.

Hark, that cry that peals aloud
Upward through the whelming cloud!
Thou, the Father's only Son,
Thou, his own Anointed One,
Thou dost ask him—can it be?—
“Why hast thou forsaken me?”

Lord, should fear and anguish roll
Darkly o'er my sinful soul,
Thou, who once wast thus bereft
That thine own might ne'er be left,
Teach me by that bitter cry
In the gloom to know thee nigh. Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Nicene Creed (p. 846)

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship

Gloria Patri*

Hymn 735

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.

Lord's Prayer*

Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

Second Reading*

1 Corinthians 15:12-28

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [Psalm 24])

(printed on p. 12)

The Earth and Its Riches

The earth and its riches abundantly stored,
The world and its dwellers belong to the LORD.
For he on the seas its foundations has laid,
And firm on the waters its pillars has stayed.

O who shall the mount of the LORD God ascend?
And who in the place of his holiness stand?
The man of pure heart and of hands without stain,
Who swears not to idols, nor serves what is vain.

Yes, he from the LORD shall a blessing receive;
The God of salvation shall righteousness give.
Thus looking to him is a whole blessed race;
All those who, like Jacob, are seeking your face.

O gates, lift your heads! Ancient doors, lift them high!
The great King of glory to enter draws nigh!
O who is the King that in glory draws near?
The LORD, mighty LORD of the battle, is here!

O gates, lift your heads! Ancient doors, lift them high!
The great King of glory to enter draws nigh!
This great King of glory, O who can he be?
The LORD God of hosts, King of glory is he! Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

“Christ Alone Can Give True Peace with God”
John 20:19-23

Pastor Ben Muresan

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

GOD'S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Hymn 676

Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment

Day by day and with each passing moment,
Strength I find to meet my trials here;
Trusting in my Father's wise bestowment,
I've no cause for worry or for fear.
He whose heart is kind beyond all measure
Gives unto each day what he deems best—
Lovingly, its part of pain and pleasure,
Mingling toil with peace and rest.

Every day the Lord himself is near me
With a special mercy for each hour;
All my cares he fain would bear, and cheer me,
He whose name is Counselor and Pow'r.
The protection of his child and treasure
Is a charge that on himself he laid;
“As your days, your strength shall be in measure,”
This the pledge to me he made.

Help me then in every tribulation
So to trust your promises, O Lord,
That I lose not faith's sweet consolation
Offered me within your holy Word.
Help me, Lord, when toil and trouble meeting,
E'er to take, as from a father's hand,
One by one, the days, the moments fleeting,
Till I reach the promised land. Amen.

Benediction*

Congregational Benediction Response*

May the peace of God, our heav'nly Father,
And the grace of Christ, the risen Son,
And the fellowship of God, the Spirit
Keep our hearts and minds within his love.

*And to him be praise for his glorious reign;
From the depths of earth to the heights of heaven
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain—
Christ eternal, the King of kings.*

May this peace which passes understanding,
And this grace which makes us what we are,
And this fellowship of his communion,
Make us one in spirit and in heart.

*And to him be praise for his glorious reign;
From the depths of earth to the heights of heaven
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain—
Christ eternal, the King of kings. Amen.*

HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

The daily reading schedule follows the One Year Bible Reading Plan.

Monday, January 31

Scripture: Exodus 12:14 - 13:16; Matthew 20:29 - 21:22; Ps. 25:16-22; Prov. 6:12-15

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 26

Pray for: Our federal, state, and local government leaders.

Tuesday, February 1

Scripture: Exodus 13:17 - 15:18; Matthew 21:23-46; Psalm 26:1-12; Proverbs 6:16-19

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 102

Pray for: Our military, police, fire, and medical personnel.

Wednesday, February 2

Scripture: Exodus 15:19 - 17:7; Matthew 22:1-33; Psalm 27:1-6; Proverbs 6:20-26

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 103

Pray for: Our covenant children, and Christian military chaplains.

The churches in Equatorial Guinea and persecuted Christians.

Thursday, February 3

Scripture: Exodus 17:8 - 19:15; Matthew 22:34 - 23:12; Ps. 27:7-14; Proverbs 6:27-35

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 104

Pray for: Our Elders, Deacons, Women's Ministry, & the PCA.

Friday, February 4

Scripture: Exodus 19:16 - 21:21; Matthew 23:13-39; Psalm 28:1-9; Proverbs 7:1-5

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 105

Pray for: Our members who have ongoing health care needs.

Our pregnant mom.

Saturday, February 5

Scripture: Exodus 21:22 - 23:13; Matthew 24:1-28; Psalm 29:1-11; Proverbs 7:6-23

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 106

Pray for: The preaching, and for our Sunday School teachers.

Sunday, February 6

Scripture: Exodus 23:14 - 25:40; Matthew 24:29-51; Psalm 30:1-12; Proverbs 7:24-27

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 107

Pray for: Our worship this morning.

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Pray for our missionaries. Their prayer requests are sent out through the Prayer Chain and their newsletters are published in Grace Notes as they become available.

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EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

Greeting and Call to Worship*

Psalm 96:1-6

Leader: Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

All: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary!

Hymn*

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” Hymn 32

Congregational Confession of Sin

Our Father, we acknowledge and believe that you are holy, holy, holy and that the whole earth is full of your glory. As we examine ourselves in the light of your law, we are reminded of how we fall short of your glory. We have offended you with our thoughts, words, and deeds. Rather than seeking to conform ourselves to your law, we have all too eagerly conformed to the pattern of this passing evil age. Forgive us, we pray. Apart from Christ there is nothing in us that gives us reason for hope, yet in him we have forgiveness. Help us to rejoice in your assurance of pardon and to live godly, righteous, and devout lives as we await our Savior’s return, in whose Name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Ephesians 4:31-32

Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Hymn

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!” Hymn 535

Scripture Reading*

Isaiah 6

Hymn

“Holy! Holy! Holy!” Hymn 100

Prayer

Sermon

“The Holiness of God”
Psalm 99

Pastor Clayton Willis

Hymn*

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” Hymn 76

Benediction*

Congregational Benediction Response*

(Sung to STUTTGART [Hymn 5])

Honor, glory, might, and merit, be to God and God alone!
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, One in Three and Three in One. Amen.

The Earth and Its Riches

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1. ¹The earth and its rich - es a - bun - dant - ly stored,
 2. ³O who shall the mount of the LORD God as - cend?
 3. ⁵Yes, he from the LORD shall a bless - ing re - ceive;
 4. ⁷O gates, lift your heads! An - cient doors, lift them high!
 5. ⁹O gates, lift your heads! An - cient doors, lift them high!

the world and its dwell - ers be - long to the LORD.
 And who in the place of his ho - li - ness stand?
 • the God of sal - va - tion shall righ - teous - ness give.
 The great King of glo - ry to en - ter draws nigh!
 The great King of glo - ry to en - ter draws nigh!

²For he on the seas its foun - da - tions has laid,
⁴The man of pure heart and of hands with - out stain,
 • Thus look - ing to him is a whole bless - ed race;
⁸O who is the King that in glo - ry draws near?
¹⁰This great King of glo - ry, O who can he be?

and firm on the wa - ters its pil - lars has stayed.
 who swears not to i - dols, nor serves what is vain.
 • all those who, like Ja - cob, are seek - ing your face.
 The LORD, might - y LORD of the bat - tle, is here!
 The LORD God of hosts, King of glo - ry is he!