WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, October 16, 2022

In the beginning you laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands.

Psalm 102:25

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing*

Responsive Reading*

Psalm 24 (p. 791)

The earth is the LORD'S, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;

for he founded it upon the seas and established it upon the waters.

Who may ascend the hill of the LORD? Who may stand in his holy place?

He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to an idol or swear by what is false.

He will receive blessing from the LORD and vindication from God his Savior.

Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is he, this King of glory?
The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory.

^{*} Congregation is requested to stand, if able.

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity! Amen.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Our God and Father, we praise you for the loving kindness you have shown us in Jesus Christ. While we were still sinners, he died for us.

All: Forgive us, O Lord, for our many sins. We confess that we are guilty of pride and unbelief, of anger and lust. We have sinned against you by breaking your commandments and by wasting your good gifts to us. Our transgressions are ever before us, and they weigh heavy on our hearts.

Leader: Grant us repentant hearts to understand the sinfulness of our sins but also the assurance of forgiveness that comes by faith in the Lord Jesus. We thank you that our sins will not be counted against us, because they all have been laid upon Christ.

All: All praise to you, O God, for such wondrous grace! We are loved with an everlasting love! Fill us with your Spirit and help us to seek first your Kingdom and your righteousness as we await our Savior's return in glory, for it's in his Name that we pray. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

Colossians 1:13

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading* Psalm 110

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 472

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity joined with pow'r:

He is able, he is able, he is able, He is willing; doubt no more; He is willing; doubt no more.

Come, ye needy, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance, ev'ry grace that brings you nigh,
Without money, without money,
Come to Jesus Christ and buy;
Come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall; If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all: Not the righteous, not the righteous, not the righteous—Sinners Jesus came to call; Sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him;
This he gives you, this he gives you, this he gives you;
'Tis the Spirit's rising beam;
'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! th'incarnate God, ascended, pleads the merit of his blood; Venture on him, venture wholly, let no other trust intrude: None but Jesus, none but Jesus, none but Jesus Can do helpless sinners good, Can do helpless sinners good. Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

- **Q. 1.** What is the chief end of man?
- **A.** Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.
- **Q. 2.** What rule has God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?
- **A.** The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.
- **Q. 3.** What do the Scriptures principally teach?
- **A.** The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God, and what duty God requires of man.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship

Doxology* Hymn 732

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. 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* Matthew 25:1-13

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [from Psalm 142])

Hymn 608

To God My Earnest Voice I Raise

To God my earnest voice I raise, To God my voice imploring prays; Before his face my grief I show And tell my trouble and my woe.

When gloom and sorrow compass me, The path I take is known to thee, And all the toils that foes do lay To snare thy servant in his way.

O Lord, my Savior, now to thee, Without a hope besides, I flee, To thee, my shelter from the strife, My portion in the land of life.

Be thou my help when troubles throng, For I am weak and foes are strong; My captive soul from prison bring, And thankful praises I will sing. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon Pastor Paul Muresan

"Wake Up, and Keep Awake" Matthew 25:1-13

GOD'S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Hymn 347

The Church's One Foundation

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord; She is his new creation by water and the Word: From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride; With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

The church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend,
To guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end;
Though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,
Against or foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, She waits the consummation of peace forevermore; Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee. Amen.

Benediction*

Congregational Benediction Response*

(Hymn 115, verse 5)

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in One, O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia! Amen.

SERMON NOTES

"Wake Up, and Keep Awake" Matthew 25:1-13

HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

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

Monday, October 17

Scripture: Jeremiah 30:1 - 31:26; 1 Timothy 2:1-15; Psalm 87:1-7; Proverbs 25:18-19

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 30 Pray for: Our federal, state, and local government leaders.

Tuesday, October 18

Scripture: Jeremiah 31:27 - 32:44; 1 Timothy 3:1-16; Psalm 88:1-18; Prov. 25:20-22

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 3
Pray for: Our military, police, fire, and medical personnel.

Wednesday, October 19

Scripture: Jeremiah 33:1 - 34:22; 1 Timothy 4:1-16; Psalm 89:1-13; Proverbs 25:23-24

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 4

Pray for: Our covenant children and Christian military chaplains.

The churches in Israel and persecuted Christians.

Thursday, October 20

Scripture: Jeremiah 35:1 - 36:32; 1 Timothy 5:1-25; Psalm 89:14-37; Prov. 25:25-27

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 5

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

Friday, October 21

Scripture: Jeremiah 37:1 - 38:28; 1 Timothy 6:1-21; Psalm 89:38-52; Proverbs 25:28

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 6
Pray for: Our members who have ongoing health care needs.

Saturday, October 22

Scripture: Jeremiah 39:1 - 41:18; 2 Timothy 1:1-18; Psalm 90:1 - 91:16; Prov. 26:1-2

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 7

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

Sunday, October 23

Scripture: Jeremiah 42:1 - 44:23; 2 Timothy 2:1-21; Psalm 92:1 - 93:5; Proverbs 26:3-5

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 8

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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GATHERING for EVENING PRAYER and HYMNS

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Hymn "How Blest Is He Whose Trespass" Hymn 551

*Scripture Reading

Hymn "There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood" Hymn 253

Devotion

Hymn "How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place" Hymn 469

Congregational Prayer

Men remain in the sanctuary;
Ladies meet in the fellowship hall

*Hymn "O God, to Us Show Mercy" Hymn 437

*Closing Prayer

To God My Earnest Voice I Raise

I cry aloud to the LORD; I lift up my voice to the LORD for mercy. Ps. 142:1



From Psalm 142 The Psalter, 1912 ROCKINGHAM OLD L.M. Arr. by Edward Miller, 1790