

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, October 9, 2022

LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you. I will praise your name,
for you have accomplished wonders, plans formed long ago, with perfect faithfulness.

Isaiah 25:1

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing*

Responsive Reading*

Psalm 16 (p. 788)

Keep me safe, O God,

for in you I take refuge.

I said to the LORD, “You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing.”

**As for the saints who are in the land,
they are the glorious ones in whom is all my delight.**

The sorrows of those will increase who run after other gods.

I will not pour out their libations of blood or take up their names on my lips.

LORD, you have assigned me my portion and my cup; you have made my lot secure.

**The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
surely I have a delightful inheritance.**

I will praise the LORD, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.

**I have set the LORD always before me.
Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.**

Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure,

**because you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor will you let your Holy One see decay.**

You have made known to me the path of life;

**you will fill me with joy in your presence,
with eternal pleasures at your right hand.**

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

For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies,
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light,
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight,
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely giv'n,
Graces human and divine, flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n,
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise. Amen.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Lord God, you are holy, holy, holy. The whole earth is full of your glory. As we think about your holiness, we realize how we fall short of all that you require of us.

All: We have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Instead of being lights in this world to lead others toward you, we have often chosen to walk in darkness.

Leader: Forgive us, we pray, and renew our wills. We desire to be conformed more and more to the likeness of Christ; grant us grace and work in us by your Holy Spirit to that end.

All: Thank you for the assurance we have of forgiveness through the blood of our Savior, who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

Ephesians 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading*

Genesis 19:1-29

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, 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. 106. *For what do we pray in the sixth petition?*

A. In the sixth petition, which is, “And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,” we pray that God would either keep us from being tempted to sin, or support and deliver us when we are tempted.

Q. 107. *What does the conclusion of the Lord’s Prayer teach us?*

A. The conclusion of the Lord’s Prayer, which is, “For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen,” teaches us to take our encouragement in prayer from God only, and in our prayers to praise him, ascribing kingdom, power, and glory to him; and in testimony of our desire and assurance to be heard, we say, “Amen.”

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship

Gloria Patri*

Hymn 734

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*

2 Corinthians 4:16 – 5:10

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.

Reception of New Members

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Ben Muresan

“Live by Faith and Not by Sight”
Genesis 13

GOD’S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving*

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found; he is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all—here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babel!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones he came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev’ry sin on him was laid—here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay, light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory, sin’s curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am his and he is mine—bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—this is the pow’r of Christ in me;
From life’s first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from his hand;
Till he returns or calls me home—here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand. 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, alleluia! Amen.

SERMON NOTES

“Live by Faith and Not by Sight”
Genesis 13

1. God uses prosperity, not just adversity, to test our faith. (vv. 1-7)
Proverbs 30:8-9
1 Timothy 6:6-10
2. We must live by faith and not by sight. (vv. 8-10)
Matthew 18:15
2 Peter 2:7
2 Corinthians 5:7
3. Living by sight leads to disappointment; living by faith leads to blessing. (vv. 11-18)
Galatians 3:7, 29
John 14:1-3

HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

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

Monday, October 10

Scripture: Jeremiah 14:11 - 16:15; 1 Thess. 2:9 - 3:13; Psalm 80:1-19; Prov. 25:1-5

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 29

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

Tuesday, October 11

Scripture: Jeremiah 16:16 - 18:23; 1 Thess. 4:1 - 5:3; Psalm 81:1-16; Proverbs 25:6-8

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 104

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

Wednesday, October 12

Scripture: Jeremiah 19:1 - 21:14; 1 Thess. 5:4-28; Psalm 82:1-8; Proverbs 25:9-10

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 105

Pray for: Our covenant children and Christian military chaplains.

The churches in the Isle of Man and persecuted Christians.

Thursday, October 13

Scripture: Jeremiah 22:1 - 23:20; 2 Thess. 1:1-12; Psalm 83:1-18; Proverbs 25:11-14

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 106

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

Friday, October 14

Scripture: Jeremiah 23:21 - 25:38; 2 Thess. 2:1-17; Psalm 84:1-12; Proverbs 25:15

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 107

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

Saturday, October 15

Scripture: Jeremiah 26:1- 27:22; 2 Thess. 3:1-18; Psalm 85:1-13; Proverbs 25:16

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 1

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

Sunday, October 16

Scripture: Jeremiah 28:1 - 29:32; 1 Timothy 1:1-20; Psalm 86:1-17; Proverbs 25:17

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 2

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 66:5-9

Leader: Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man. He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. There did we rejoice in him, who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations—let not the rebellious exalt themselves.

All: Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard, who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip.

Hymn*

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” Hymn 38

Congregational Confession of Sin

Gracious God, we acknowledge and confess that we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have walked in darkness rather than living according to what you have revealed to us in your holy Word. Forgive us, we pray. Enable us by your Holy Spirit to put off sin and to put on Christ. Strengthen us in our fight against sin, and empower us to act, speak, and think in ways that glorify you, for we ask in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Psalm 103:8-12

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

Hymn

“God, in the Gospel of His Son” Hymn 141

Scripture Reading*

Romans 10:1-17

Hymn

“My Jesus, I Love Thee” Hymn 648

Prayer

Sermon “The Spirit-Empowered Witness Evangelizes Religious People” Rudy Manrique
Acts 3:11-26

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Hymn*

“Abide with Me” Hymn 402

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.

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To God My Earnest Voice I Raise

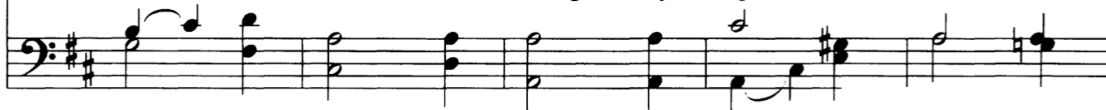
I cry aloud to the LORD; I lift up my voice to the LORD for mercy. Ps. 142: 1



1. To God my ear - nest voice I raise, to God my
 2. When gloom and sor - row com - pass me, the path I
 3. O Lord, my Sav - ior, now to thee, with - out a
 4. Be thou my help when trou - bles throng, for I am



voice im - plor - ing prays; be - fore his face my
 take is known to thee, and all the toils that
 hope be - sides, I flee, to thee, my shel - ter
 weak and foes are strong; my cap - tive soul from



grief I show and tell my trou - ble and my woe.
 foes do lay to snare thy ser - vant in his way.
 from the strife, my por - tion in the land of life.
 pris - on bring, and thank - ful prais - es I will sing.

