

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, November 20, 2022

The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything.

Acts 17:24-25

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing*

Responsive Reading*

Psalm 8 (p. 786)

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise,

because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

**what is man that you are mindful of him,
the son of man that you care for him?**

You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings
and crowned him with glory and honor.

**You made him ruler over the works of your hands;
you put everything under his feet:**

all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field, the birds of the air,
and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

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

We Plow the Fields

Choir: We plow the fields and scatter the good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand;
He sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain.
*All good gifts around us are sent from heav'n above;
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love.*

All: He only is the Maker of all things near and far;
He paints the wayside flower, he lights the evening star;
The winds and waves obey him, by him the birds are fed;
Much more to us, his children, he gives our daily bread.
*All good gifts around us are sent from heav'n above;
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love.*

We thank you, then, O Father, for all things bright and good,
The seedtime and the harvest, our life, our health, our food;
No gifts have we to offer for all your love imparts,
But that which you desire now: our humble, thankful hearts.
*All good gifts around us are sent from heav'n above;
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love. Amen.*

Congregational Confession of Sin

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

All: We thank you also for your daily provision of food, comfort, and safety. We give you praise
for the bounty of your gifts and the ability we have to diligently work with our hands.

Leader: We confess that we have sinned and been ungrateful. Forgive us for often desiring more
than what it has pleased you to provide. Forgive us for our jealousy and covetousness, and
for the anxiety we feel when we forget your fatherly goodness toward us.

All: As we consider your good gifts to us this morning, cause us to have a renewed thankfulness
for our spiritual and earthly blessings, for we ask in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not
perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but
in order that the world might be saved through him.

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading*

Genesis 16

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 34

The God of Abraham Praise

The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above,
Ancient of everlasting days and God of love.
Jehovah! Great I AM! by earth and heav'n confessed;
I bow and bless the sacred name, forever blest.

The God of Abraham praise, at whose supreme command
From earth I rise, and seek the joys at his right hand.
I all on earth forsake, its wisdom, fame, and pow'r,
And him my only portion make, my shield and tow'r.

He by himself hath sworn, I on his oath depend;
I shall, on eagles' wings upborne, to heav'n ascend.
I shall behold his face, I shall his pow'r adore,
And sing the wonders of his grace forevermore.

The goodly land I see, with peace and plenty blest,
A land of sacred liberty and endless rest.
There milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound,
And trees of life forever grow, with mercy crowned.

There dwells the Lord our King, the Lord our Righteousness,
Triumphant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace.
On Zion's sacred height his kingdom he maintains,
And glorious with his saints in light forever reigns.

The whole triumphant host gives thanks to God on high;
"Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" they ever cry.
Hail, Abraham's God and mine! I join the heav'nly lays;
All might and majesty are thine, and endless praise. Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 13. *Did our first parents continue in the estate in which they were created?*

A. Our first parents, being left to the freedom of their own will, fell from the estate in which they were created, by sinning against God.

Q. 14. *What is sin?*

A. Sin is any lack of conformity to, or transgression of, the Law of God.

Q. 15. *What was the sin by which our first parents fell from the estate in which they were created?*

A. The sin by which our first parents fell from the estate in which they were created, was their eating of the forbidden fruit.

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*

Galatians 4:21-31

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [from Psalm 100])

Hymn 1

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, his praise forthtell,
Come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord ye know is God indeed;
Without our aid he did us make;
We are his folk, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good,
His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Ben Muresan

“The God Who Sees Me”
Genesis 16

GOD’S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Hymn 116

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.

Benediction*

Congregational Benediction Response*

(Sung to TRINITY)

To the great One in Three
Eternal praises be, hence evermore.
His sovereign majesty may we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore. Amen.

SERMON NOTES

“The God Who Sees Me”
Genesis 16

1. So Much Sin (vv. 1-6)

Sarai’s sin

Abram’s sin

Hagar’s sin

Galatians 4:21-31

2. So Much More Grace (vv. 7-16)

Romans 5:20-21

Psalm 139

HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

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

Monday, November 21

Scripture: Ezekiel 42:1 - 43:27; James 5:1-20; Psalm 119:1-16; Proverbs 28:6-7

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 2

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

Tuesday, November 22

Scripture: Ezekiel 44:1 - 45:12; 1 Peter 1:1-12; Psalm 119:17-32; Proverbs 28:8-10

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 33

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

Wednesday, November 23

Scripture: Ezekiel 45:13 - 46:24; 1 Peter 1:13 - 2:10; Psalm 119:33-48; Proverbs 28:11

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 34

Pray for: Our covenant children and Christian military chaplains.
The churches in Kazakhstan and persecuted Christians.

Thursday, November 24

Scripture: Ezekiel 47:1 - 48:35; 1 Peter 2:11 - 3:7; Psalm 119:49-64; Proverbs 28:12-13

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 35

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

Friday, November 25

Scripture: Daniel 1:1 - 2:23; 1 Peter 3:8 - 4:6; Psalm 119:65-80; Proverbs 28:14

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 36

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

Saturday, November 26

Scripture: Daniel 2:24 - 3:30; 1 Peter 4:7 - 5:14; Psalm 119:81-96; Proverbs 28:15-16

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 37

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

Sunday, November 27

Scripture: Daniel 4:1-37; 2 Peter 1:1-21; Psalm 119:97-112; Proverbs 28:17-18

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 38

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

Scripture Reading and Opening Prayer

Hymn 99 “My Song Forever Shall Record”

Prayer of Praise and Thanksgiving

Devotion | Rudy Manrique

Prayer for the Lost

Hymn 469 “How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place”

Hymn 610 “‘Take Up Your Cross,’ the Savior Said”

Prayer of Supplication

Hymn 348 “Jesus, with Thy Church Abide”

Prayer for Our Church

***Hymn 402** “Abide with Me”

***Closing Prayer**