

# WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, February 27, 2022

Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

**Psalm 103:1**

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

## ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

**Greeting and Blessing\***

**Responsive Reading\***

Psalm 97 (p. 820)

The LORD reigns, let the earth be glad;

**let the distant shores rejoice.**

Clouds and thick darkness surround him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

**Fire goes before him and consumes his foes on every side.**

His lightning lights up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

**The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth.**

The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory.

**All who worship images are put to shame, those who boast in idols—  
worship him, all you gods!**

Zion hears and rejoices and the villages of Judah are glad because of your judgments, O LORD.

**For you, O LORD, are the Most High over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.**

Let those who love the LORD hate evil,

**for he guards the lives of his faithful ones and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**

Light is shed upon the righteous and joy on the upright in heart.

**Rejoice in the LORD, you who are righteous, and praise his holy name.**

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

## Hymn of Preparation\*

Hymn 6

### *O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord*

O come, my soul, bless thou the Lord thy Maker, and all within me bless his holy name;  
Bless thou the Lord, forget not all his mercies, his pard'ning grace and saving love proclaim.  
*Bless him forever, wondrous in might, bless him, his servants that in his will delight.*

Good is the Lord and full of kind compassion, most slow to anger, plenteous in love;  
Rich is his grace to all that humbly seek him, boundless and endless as the heav'ns above.  
*Bless him forever, wondrous in might, bless him, his servants that in his will delight.*

His love is like a father's to his children, tender and kind to all who fear his name;  
For well he knows our weakness and our frailty, he knows that we are dust, he knows our frame.  
*Bless him forever, wondrous in might, bless him, his servants that in his will delight.*

We fade and die like flow'rs that grow in beauty, like tender grass that soon will disappear;  
But evermore the love of God is changeless, still shown to those who look to him in fear.  
*Bless him forever, wondrous in might, bless him, his servants that in his will delight.*

High in the heav'ns his throne is fixed forever, his kingdom rules o'er all from pole to pole;  
Bless ye the Lord through all his wide dominion, bless his most holy name, O thou my soul.  
*Bless him forever, wondrous in might, bless him, his servants that in his will delight. Amen.*

## Congregational Confession of Sin

**Leader:** O Lord, you are holy and gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love.

**All:** We confess that we are embarrassed to come before you because we have preferred the ways of this world to your ways. In our sins we have rebelled against your wisdom and rejected your fatherly guidance.

**Leader:** Gracious God and Father, forgive us, for the sake of your great mercy toward us in Jesus Christ, 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

1 John 4:9-11

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

## ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading\*

John 1:1-18

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 108

### *Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right*

Whate'er my God ordains is right:  
His holy will abideth;  
I will be still whate'er he doth,  
And follow where he guideth.  
He is my God: though dark my road,  
He holds me that I shall not fall:  
Wherefore to him I leave it all.

Whate'er my God ordains is right:  
He never will deceive me;  
He leads me by the proper path;  
I know he will not leave me.  
I take, content, what he hath sent;  
His hand can turn my griefs away,  
And patiently I wait his day.

Whate'er my God ordains is right:  
Though now this cup, in drinking,  
May bitter seem to my faint heart,  
I take it, all unshrinking.  
My God is true; each morn anew  
Sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart,  
And pain and sorrow shall depart.

Whate'er my God ordains is right:  
Here shall my stand be taken;  
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine,  
Yet am I not forsaken.  
My Father's care is round me there;  
He holds me that I shall not fall:  
And so to him I leave it all. 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\*

Luke 14:26-33

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [Psalm 86:1-11])

Hymn 91

## *Bow Down Thine Ear, O Lord, and Hear*

**All:** Bow down thine ear, O Lord, and hear,  
For I am poor and great my need;  
Preserve my soul, for thee I fear;  
O God, thy trusting servant heed.

**Men:** O Lord, be merciful to me,  
For all the day to thee I cry;  
Rejoice thy servant, for to thee  
I lift my soul, O Lord Most High.

**Ladies:** For thou, O Lord, art good and kind,  
And ready to forgive thou art;  
Abundant mercy they shall find  
Who call on thee with all their heart.

**Men:** O Lord, incline thine ear to me,  
My voice of supplication heed;  
In trouble I will cry to thee,  
For thou wilt answer when I plead.

**Ladies:** There is no God but thee alone,  
Nor works like thine, O Lord Most High,  
All nations shall surround thy throne  
And their Creator glorify.

**All:** In all thy deeds how great thou art!  
Thou one true God, thy way make clear;  
Teach me with undivided heart  
To trust thy truth, thy name to fear. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Clayton Willis

“Follow Me”  
John 21:19-25

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

## **GOD’S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE**

Hymn of Thanksgiving\*

Hymn 508

### *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high:  
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm of life is past;  
Safe into the haven guide, O receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none, hangs my helpless soul on thee;  
Leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me!  
All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring;  
Cover my defenseless head with the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find:  
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.  
Just and holy is thy name; I am all unrighteousness;  
False and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;  
Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within:  
Thou of life the fountain art, freely let me take of thee;  
Spring thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity. 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.*

# SERMON NOTES

“Follow Me”  
John 21:19-25

1. Follow Me (vv. 19-22)
2. Correcting a Rumor (vv. 22-23)
3. Many Other Things (vv. 24-25)

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# HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

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

## **Monday, February 28**

Scripture: Leviticus 22:17 - 23:44; Mark 9:30 - 10:12; Psalm 44:1-8; Proverbs 10:19

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 30

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

## **Tuesday, March 1**

Scripture: Leviticus 24:1 - 25:46; Mark 10:13-31; Psalm 44:9-26; Proverbs 10:20-21

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 19

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

## **Wednesday, March 2**

Scripture: Leviticus 25:47 - 27:13; Mark 10:32-52; Psalm 45:1-17; Proverbs 10:22

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 20

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

The churches in Faeroe Islands and persecuted Christians.

## **Thursday, March 3**

Scripture: Leviticus 27:14 - Numbers 1:54; Mark 11:1-26; Psalm 46:1-11; Prov. 10:23

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 21

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

## **Friday, March 4**

Scripture: Numbers 2:1 - 3:51; Mark 11:27 - 12:17; Psalm 47:1-9; Proverbs 10:24-25

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 22

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

Our pregnant moms.

## **Saturday, March 5**

Scripture: Numbers 4:1 - 5:31; Mark 12:18-37; Psalm 48:1-14; Proverbs 10:26

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 23

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

## **Sunday, March 6**

Scripture: Numbers 6:1 - 7:89; Mark 12:38 - 13:13; Psalm 49:1-20; Proverbs 10:27-28

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 24

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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## LORD'S DAY DEVOTION AND QUESTIONS

John begins and ends his gospel with the tangible majesty of Jesus. We are shown the glory of the Word of God eternally coexisting with the Father and the Holy Spirit “in the beginning.” We are witness to all things being brought into existence out of nothing through the agency of the Word. God’s love for fallen creatures is displayed as the Word becomes flesh and dwells among us, willingly giving himself as a propitiation for our sins.

After recording the life, ministry, and works of Jesus, John closes his gospel with one of the great understatements of Holy Scripture; that the world itself could not contain a complete record of every act its Creator did. The finite cannot hope to contain the infinite. Every recorded and unrecorded action of Jesus served one end, namely the fulfillment of God’s good, perfect, and holy will.

We study God’s written Word for a lifetime and still struggle to plumb its depths. John leaves us with overwhelming awe for Jesus, the Word of God, because we know him, but will eternally learn new things about him.

Just as Jesus Christ, the glorious Word of God incarnate, shows his wisdom in the diversity of creation, no two disciples will be called to serve Jesus in the exact same way. Each disciple is called to a unique path of good works (Eph. 2:10). We see this expressed in Jesus’ conversation with Peter in John 21:21-22. Peter needed not to concern himself with John’s calling, only the call he received from Jesus.

In a *Tabletalk* devotional on John 21:18-19, the author writes:

John did not die a martyr’s death, but he did suffer in prison on Patmos for his faith. Peter faithfully obeyed Jesus, finally dying as a witness to Him. Both men were faithful to their callings and serve as models to us today. As we follow the Lord where He has placed us, He will bless us and give us the strength to remain true to Him. Let us focus on His calling to us today and every day, and may we endeavor to serve Him faithfully wherever we are.

1. Think back over the sermon series on John’s gospel. What are some ways that John reveals the glory and majesty of Jesus?
2. How do each of these instances fulfill John’s purpose for writing his gospel (John 20:31)?
3. How has God called and equipped you to serve him? Where, or in what ways, can you serve God in your present situation?
4. Have you ever been (or are now) jealous of the way God has called someone else to serve him? How do Jesus’ words to Peter in vv. 21-22 help correct your thinking and set you on a better path of service?

## Bow Down Thine Ear, O Lord, and Hear

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*Hear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy. Guard my life, for I am devoted to you. Ps. 86:1, 2*

1. Bow down thine ear, O Lord, and hear, for I am  
 2. O Lord, be mer - ci - ful to me, for all the  
 3. For thou, O Lord, art good and kind, and read - y  
 4. O Lord, in - cline thine ear to me, my voice of

poor and great my need; pre - serve my soul, for  
 day to thee I cry; re - jice thy ser - vant,  
 to for - give thou art; a - bun - dant mer - cy  
 sup - pli - ca - tion heed; in trou - ble I will

thee I fear; O God, thy trust - ing ser - vant heed.  
 for to thee I lift my soul, O Lord Most High.  
 they shall find who call on thee with all their heart.  
 cry to thee, for thou wilt an - swer when I plead.

5. There is no God but thee alone,  
 nor works like thine, O Lord Most High;  
 all nations shall surround thy throne  
 and their Creator glorify.
6. In all thy deeds how great thou art!  
 Thou one true God, thy way make clear;  
 teach me with undivided heart  
 to trust thy truth, thy name to fear.