

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, May 22, 2022

Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul.
I will praise the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.
Psalm 146:1-2

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing*

Responsive Reading*

Psalm 36 (p. 797 in the *Trinity Hymnal*)

An oracle is within my heart concerning the sinfulness of the wicked:
There is no fear of God before his eyes.

For in his own eyes he flatters himself too much to detect or hate his sin.

The words of his mouth are wicked and deceitful; he has ceased to be wise and to do good.

Even on his bed he plots evil; he commits himself to a sinful course and does not reject what is wrong.

Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your justice like the great deep.

O LORD, you preserve both man and beast.

How priceless is your unfailing love!

Both high and low among men find refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance of your house; you give them drink from your river of delights.

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

Continue your love to those who know you, your righteousness to the upright in heart.

May the foot of the proud not come against me, nor the hand of the wicked drive me away.

See how the evildoers lie fallen—thrown down, not able to rise!

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

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Put no confidence in princes, nor for help on man depend;
He shall die, to dust returning, and his purposes shall end.

Happy is the man that chooses Israel's God to be his aid;
He is blessed whose hope of blessing on the Lord his God is stayed.
Heav'n and earth the Lord created, seas and all that they contain;
He delivers from oppression, righteousness he will maintain.

Food he daily gives the hungry, sets the mourning pris'ner free,
Raises those bowed down with anguish, makes the sightless eye to see.
Well Jehovah loves the righteous, and the stranger he befriends,
Helps the fatherless and widow, judgment on the wicked sends.

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Over all God reigns forever, through all ages he is King;
Unto him, your God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing. Amen.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Almighty God, you are rich in mercy to all who call upon you. Hear us as we come to you, humbly confessing our sins and transgressions.

All: We have broken your holy laws by our deeds and words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess our disobedience and shortcomings toward you and our neighbors.

Leader: Have mercy on us, most merciful Father.

All: Grant that from now on we may serve and please you in newness of life, through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

Acts 10:42-43

And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading*

Psalm 49

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 292

Who Shall Ascend the Mountain of the Lord

Who shall ascend the mountain of the Lord,
To search the mystery in heaven stored,
The knowledge of the Holy One adored?

Alleluia!

One King alone, whose hands and heart are pure,
One Servant of the Lord with purpose sure,
Can enter in that glory to endure.

Alleluia!

He only can ascend to God's right hand,
Who first came down as his high mercy planned;
True God and man has earth and heaven spanned.

Alleluia!

Before the clouds receive the King on high,
A cross lifts up his form against the sky;
The Framers of the worlds has come to die.

Alleluia!

He shall ascend the mountain of the Lord,
The King of glory, whose own blood out-poured
Paid that dear price that mercy did afford.

Alleluia! Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 63. *Which is the fifth commandment?*

A. The fifth commandment is, “Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.”

Q. 64. *What is required in the fifth commandment?*

A. The fifth commandment requires the preserving of the honor, and performing the duties, belonging to everyone in their various situations and relationships, as superiors, inferiors, or equals.

Q. 65. *What is forbidden in the fifth commandment?*

A. The fifth commandment forbids the neglecting of, or doing anything against, the honor and duty that belong to everyone in their various situations and relationships.

Q. 66. *What is the reason attached to the fifth commandment?*

A. The reason attached to the fifth commandment is a promise of long life and prosperity (as far as it shall serve for God’s glory, and their own good) to all who keep this commandment.

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 3:23-38

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [Psalm 105:1-14; 44-45])

(printed on p. 12)

O Praise the LORD, His Deeds Make Known

O praise the LORD, his deeds make known, and call upon his name;
O sing to him, sing praise to him! His wondrous works proclaim.
Let hearts rejoice that seek the LORD, his holy name adore.
O seek the LORD, and trust his strength; seek him forevermore.

You chosen seed of Abraham, and Jacob's children too,
Remember all his wondrous works, his judgments done for you.
The LORD our God is God alone, all lands his judgments know;
His promise he remembers still, while generations go.

He ever keeps his covenant, the words of his command;
A thousand generations he will make his promise stand.
His cov'nant he remembers still, the word that he commands;
A thousand generations hence his promises will stand.

He swore that Canaan should be theirs, and made his cov'nant stand,
While yet our fathers were but few, and sojourned in the land.
He suffered not to do them wrong in all their pilgrim way;
Yes, for their sake were kings reprov'd and cover'd with dismay.

The lands and toil of wicked men he gave them to possess,
That they might keep his holy laws; O praise the LORD and bless!
Let hearts rejoice that seek the LORD, his holy name adore;
O seek the LORD, and trust his strength; seek him forevermore. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Clayton Willis

“The City of Man and a Genealogical Hope”
Genesis 4:17 - 5:32

GOD’S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Hymn 310

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains, he took his seat above.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail, he rules o’er earth and heav’n;
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv’n.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

He sits at God’s right hand till all his foes submit,
And bow to his command, and fall beneath his feet.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come,
And take his servants up to their eternal home.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice! Amen.

Benediction*

Congregational Benediction Response*

(Sung to STUTTGART [Hymn 5])

May the grace of Christ our Savior
And the Father's boundless love,
With the Holy Spirit's favor,
Rest upon us from above.

Thus may we abide in union
With each other and the Lord,
And possess, in sweet communion,
Joys which earth cannot afford. Amen.

HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

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

Monday, May 23

Scripture: 2 Samuel 2:12 - 3:39; John 13:1-30; Psalm 119:1-16; Proverbs 15:29-30

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 9

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

Tuesday, May 24

Scripture: 2 Samuel 4:1 - 6:23; John 13:31 - 14:14; Psalm 119:17-32; Prov. 15:31-32

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 91

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

Wednesday, May 25

Scripture: 2 Samuel 7:1 - 8:18; John 14:15-31; Psalm 119:33-48; Proverbs 15:33

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 92

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

Thursday, May 26

Scripture: 2 Samuel 9:1 - 11:27; John 15:1-27; Psalm 119:49-64; Proverbs 16:1-3

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 93

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

Friday, May 27

Scripture: 2 Samuel 12:1-31; John 16:1-33; Psalm 119:65-80; Proverbs 16:4-5

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 94

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

Saturday, May 28

Scripture: 2 Samuel 13:1-39; John 17:1-26; Psalm 119:81-96; Proverbs 16:6-7

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 95

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

Sunday, May 29

Scripture: 2 Samuel 14:1 - 15:22; John 18:1-24; Psalm 119:97-112; Proverbs 16:8-9

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 96

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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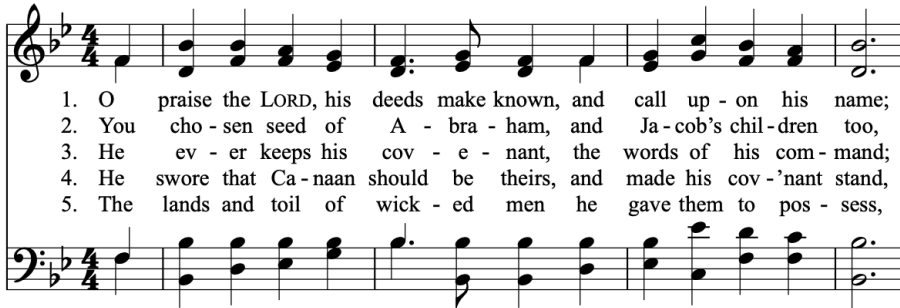
LORD'S DAY DEVOTION AND QUESTIONS

Genesis 4:17-24 records the descent of mankind into hardened sin and rebellion against God. Cain murdered his own brother and tried to cover it up, and his descendent Lamech openly boasted of murder. Yet Moses shows us that God was pleased to bring about important cultural advancements through Cain's line. Cain's line used these discoveries to fall deeper into sin, but God's people could use these discoveries to glorify God and serve their neighbors in his name. God's people who followed Moses out of Egypt could easily understand this situation. Egypt was the cultural and technological superpower during Moses' time, and the Egyptians used the technology of the time to worship false gods. Modern Christians see how today's technology can be used for sinful purposes, but also for the proclamation of the gospel and glory of God.

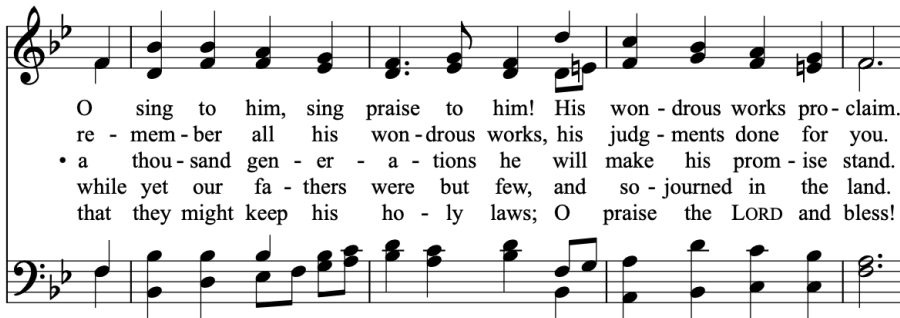
Cain's city was advanced and cultured, but apart from the Lord, these things amount to nothing. As R.C. Sproul writes in *Tabletalk*, "In reading of the world's first extensive progression in Cain's evil line, Israel learned that advanced culture is nothing without knowledge of the Lord."

1. How does the creativity of Cain's line demonstrate that God's image in man is broken but still remains?
2. How has God used the advancements of Cain's line to glorify himself and provide for his church?
3. Read Genesis 4:12-14. What was Cain's punishment? Now read about Cain's actions in 4:17b. What did Cain do that showed his continued rebellion against God?
4. Look at Genesis 4:19. What did Lamech do in rebellion against God?
5. How does God restore the hope of salvation in 4:25-26?

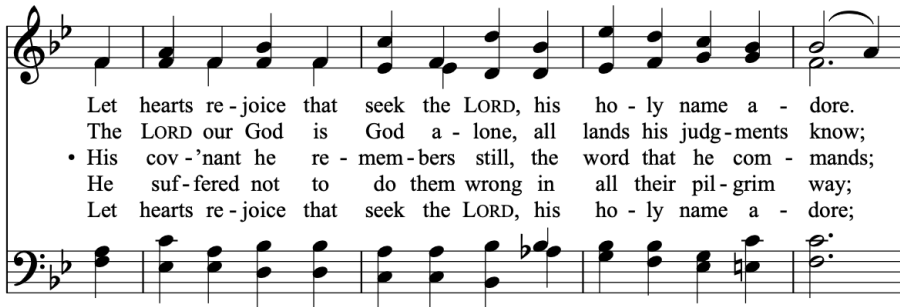
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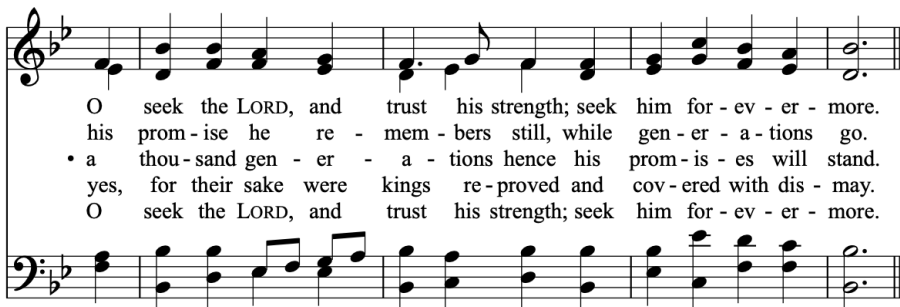
1. O praise the LORD, his deeds make known, and call up - on his name;
 2. You cho - sen seed of A - bra - ham, and Ja - cob's chil - dren too,
 3. He ev - er keeps his cov - e - nant, the words of his com - mand;
 4. He swore that Ca - naan should be theirs, and made his cov - 'nant stand,
 5. The lands and toil of wick - ed men he gave them to pos - sess,



O sing to him, sing praise to him! His won - drous works pro - claim.
 re - mem - ber all his won - drous works, his judg - ments done for you.
 • a thou - sand gen - er - a - tions he will make his prom - ise stand.
 while yet our fa - thers were but few, and so - journed in the land.
 that they might keep his ho - ly laws; O praise the LORD and bless!



Let hearts re - joice that seek the LORD, his ho - ly name a - dore.
 The LORD our God is God a - lone, all lands his judg - ments know;
 • His cov - 'nant he re - mem - bers still, the word that he com - mands;
 He suf - fered not to do them wrong in all their pil - grim way;
 Let hearts re - joice that seek the LORD, his ho - ly name a - dore;



O seek the LORD, and trust his strength; seek him for - ev - er - more.
 his prom - ise he re - mem - bers still, while gen - er - a - tions go.
 • a thou - sand gen - er - a - tions hence his prom - is - es will stand.
 yes, for their sake were kings re - proved and cov - ered with dis - may.
 O seek the LORD, and trust his strength; seek him for - ev - er - more.