# **WORSHIP SERVICE**

Sunday, June 19, 2022

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. **Psalm 19:1** 

#### **Prelude**

#### Welcome and Announcements

### **ENTERING INTO WORSHIP**

## **Greeting and Blessing\***

### **Responsive Reading\***

Psalm 104:24-35 (p. 823)

How many are your works, O LORD!

In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

There is the sea, vast and spacious, teeming with creatures beyond number—living things both large and small.

There the ships go to and fro and the leviathan, which you formed to frolic there.

These all look to you to give them their food at the proper time.

When you give it to them, they gather it up;

when you open your hand, they are satisfied with good things.

When you hide your face, they are terrified;

when you take away their breath, they die and return to the dust.

When you send your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—

he who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

I will sing to the LORD all my life;

I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the LORD.

But may sinners vanish from the earth and the wicked be no more.

Praise the LORD, O my soul.

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<sup>\*</sup> Congregation is requested to stand, if able.

### Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art—Thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, I thy true son; thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my battle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my dignity, thou my delight, Thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r: raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: Thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all. Amen.

### **Congregational Confession of Sin**

**Leader:** Heavenly Father, we come to you weighed down by guilt and shame as we consider how we have sinned against you and others.

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

**Leader:** Forgive us, we pray. Help us not to grow weary in doing good, but instead fill us with love that comes from a pure heart, a clear conscience, and genuine faith.

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\* Psalm 145

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 507

## Approach, My Soul, the Mercy Seat

Approach, my soul, the mercy seat Where Jesus answers prayer; There humbly fall before his feet, For none can perish there.

Thy promise is my only plea; With this I venture nigh: Thou callest burdened souls to thee, And such, O Lord, am I.

Bowed down beneath a load of sin,
By Satan sorely pressed,
By war without and fears within,
I come to thee for rest.

Be thou my shield and hiding place, That, sheltered near thy side, I may my fierce accuser face, And tell him thou hast died.

O wondrous love! to bleed and die, To bear the cross and shame, That guilty sinners, such as I, Might plead thy gracious name! Amen.

#### Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

- **Q. 73.** Which is the eighth commandment?
- **A.** The eighth commandment is, "You shall not steal."
- **Q. 74.** What is required in the eighth commandment?
- **A.** The eighth commandment requires that we utilize only lawful means in obtaining and furthering the wealth and outward estate of ourselves and others.
- **Q. 75.** What is forbidden in the eighth commandment?
- **A.** The eighth commandment forbids whatever does, or may, unjustly hinder our own, or our neighbor's, wealth or outward estate.

## 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\* Revelation 4

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [Psalm 51:1-15]) (Hymn 486; printed on p. 12)

#### God, Be Merciful to Me

God, be merciful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea; Plenteous in compassion thou, blot out my transgressions now; Wash me, make me pure within, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess, grief and guilt my soul oppress; I have sinned against thy grace and provoked thee to thy face; I confess thy judgment just, speechless, I thy mercy trust.

I am evil, born in sin; thou desirest truth within. Thou alone my Savior art, teach thy wisdom to my heart; Make me pure, thy grace bestow, wash me whiter than the snow.

Broken, humbled to the dust by thy wrath and judgment just, Let my contrite heart rejoice and in gladness hear thy voice; From my sins O hide thy face, blot them out in boundless grace.

Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true; Cast me not away from thee, let thy Spirit dwell in me; Thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.

Sinners then shall learn from me and return, O God, to thee; Savior, all my guilt remove, and my tongue shall sing thy love; Touch my silent lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall praise accord. Amen.

#### **Pastoral Prayer**

Sermon Pastor Ben Muresan

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" Genesis 8:20 - 9:17

### **GOD'S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE**

#### Hymn of Thanksgiving\*

Hymn 676

## Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment

Day by day and with each passing moment,
Strength I find to meet my trials here;
Trusting in my Father's wise bestowment,
I've no cause for worry or for fear.
He whose heart is kind beyond all measure
Gives unto each day what he deems best—
Lovingly, its part of pain and pleasure,
Mingling toil with peace and rest.

Every day the Lord himself is near me
With a special mercy for each hour;
All my cares he fain would bear, and cheer me,
He whose name is Counselor and Pow'r.
The protection of his child and treasure
Is a charge that on himself he laid;
"As your days, your strength shall be in measure,"
This the pledge to me he made.

Help me then in every tribulation
So to trust your promises, O Lord,
That I lose not faith's sweet consolation
Offered me within your holy Word.
Help me, Lord, when toil and trouble meeting,
E'er to take, as from a father's hand,
One by one, the days, the moments fleeting,
Till I reach the promised land. 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**

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" Genesis 8:20 - 9:17

1. God will sustain his creation until Christ returns.

Romans 12:1 Matthew 5:45; Acts 14:17
Humanity must:  "Be fruitful and multiply" (vv. 1, 7)  Be good stewards of God's creation (v. 3; 1 Timothy 6:17)  Establish an orderly society (v. 6; Romans 13:1)
<ol> <li>God gave us the sign of the rainbow to remind us of his constant care over his creation. Jeremiah 33:20-21 Revelation 4:3</li> </ol>
3. God is growing his Church, using world history as the stage on which he is fulfilling his promise of salvation through Christ.  Genesis 3:15  Romans 8:28

## **HOME WORSHIP GUIDE**

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

### Monday, June 20

Scripture: 1 Kings 22:1-53; Acts 13:16-41; Psalm 138:1-8; Proverbs 17:17-18

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 13 Pray for: Our federal, state, and local government leaders.

#### Tuesday, June 21

Scripture: 2 Kings 1:1 - 2:25; Acts 13:42 - 14:7; Psalm 139:1-24; Proverbs 17:19-21

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 8 Pray for: Our military, police, fire, and medical personnel.

#### Wednesday, June 22

Scripture: 2 Kings 3:1 - 4:17; Acts 14:8-28; Psalm 140:1-13; Proverbs 17:22

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 9

Pray for: Our covenant children and Christian military chaplains.

The churches in Guadeloupe and persecuted Christians.

#### Thursday, June 23

Scripture: 2 Kings 4:18 - 5:27; Acts 15:1-35; Psalm 141:1-10; Proverbs 17:23

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 10

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

#### Friday, June 24

Scripture: 2 Kings 6:1 - 7:20; Acts 15:36 - 16:15; Psalm 142:1-7; Proverbs 17:24-25

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 11 Pray for: Our members who have ongoing health care needs.

Our pregnant moms.

#### Saturday, June 25

Scripture: 2 Kings 8:1 - 9:13; Acts 16:16-40; Psalm 143:1-12; Proverbs 17:26

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 12 Pray for: The preaching, and for our Sunday School teachers.

#### Sunday, June 26

Scripture: 2 Kings 9:14 - 10:31; Acts 17:1-34; Psalm 144:1-15; Proverbs 17:27-28

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 13

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

**Opening Prayer** 

**Hymn** "God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength" Hymn 40

**Hymn** "Sing Praise to the Lord" Hymn 21

**Congregational Prayer** 

**Hymn** "The Day You Gave Us, Lord, Is Ended" Hymn 407 (stanzas 1, 3, 5)

**Closing Prayer** 

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Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love. Ps. 51:1



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