

# EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, September 11, 2022

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup,  
you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**1 Corinthians 11:26**

## Prelude

### Greeting and Call to Worship\*

Psalm 121

**Leader:** I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

**All:** He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

### Hymn\*

Hymn 10

#### ***Hallelujah! Hallelujah!***

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! In his temple God be praised;  
In the high and heavenly places be the sounding anthem raised.  
*Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen.*

Hallelujah! Praise Jehovah for his mighty acts of fame;  
Excellent his might and greatness, fitting praises then proclaim.  
*Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen.*

Hallelujah! Praise Jehovah with the trumpet's joyful sound;  
Praise with harp and praise with organ, let his glorious praise abound.  
*Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen.*

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! All that breathe, Jehovah praise;  
Let the voices God has given joyful anthems to him raise.  
*Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen.*

\* Congregation is requested to stand, if able.

## **Congregational Confession of Sin**

We praise you, our God and King, because you are holy and good. Your unfailing love is as vast as the heavens; your faithfulness reaches beyond the clouds. We acknowledge the vast difference between who we are as creatures and who you are as our Creator. We are shamefully aware of how we have sinned and fall short of your glory. Forgive us, we pray. Enable us to receive and rest in the truth that we have been justified by faith and have peace with you through our Lord Jesus Christ, in whose Name we pray. Amen.

## **Assurance of Forgiveness**

Romans 5:1-2

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

## **Hymn**

Hymn 353

### ***I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord***

I love thy kingdom, Lord, the house of thine abode,  
The church our blest Redeemer saved with his own precious blood.

I love thy church, O God: her walls before thee stand,  
Dear as the apple of thine eye, and graven on thy hand.

For her my tears shall fall, for her my prayers ascend;  
To her my cares and toils be giv'n, till toils and cares shall end.

Beyond my highest joy I prize her heav'nly ways,  
Her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.

Jesus, thou Friend divine, our Savior and our King,  
Thy hand from ev'ry snare and foe shall great deliv'rance bring.

Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zion shall be giv'n  
The brightest glories earth can yield, and brighter bliss of heav'n. Amen.

***Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord***

Come, let us sing unto the Lord  
New songs of praise with sweet accord;  
For wonders great by him are done,  
His hand and arm have vict'ry won.

The great salvation of our God  
Is seen through all the earth abroad;  
Before the heathen's wond'ring sight  
He has revealed his truth and right.

He called to mind his truth and grace  
In promise made to Israel's race;  
And unto earth's remotest bound  
Glad tidings of salvation sound.

All lands, to God lift up your voice;  
Sing praise to him, with shouts rejoice;  
With voice of joy and loud acclaim  
Let all unite and praise his name.

Praise God with harp, with harp sing praise,  
With voice of psalms his glory raise;  
With trumpets, cornets, gladly sing  
And shout before the Lord, the King.

Let earth be glad, let billows roar  
And all that dwell from shore to shore;  
Let floods clap hands with one accord,  
Let hills rejoice before the Lord.

For lo, he comes; at his command  
All nations shall in judgment stand;  
In justice robed and throned in light,  
The Lord shall judge, dispensing right. Amen.

**Prayer**

**Sermon**

“Spirit-Empowered Witnesses”  
Acts 1:1-11

Pastor Ben Muresan

**Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper**

**Hymn\***

Hymn 437

***O God, to Us Show Mercy***

O God, to us show mercy and bless us in your grace;  
Cause now to shine upon us the brightness of your face;  
That so your way most holy on earth may soon be known,  
And unto ev’ry people your saving grace be shown.

O God, let all men praise you, let all the nations sing;  
In ev’ry land let praises and songs of gladness ring;  
For you shall judge the people in truth and righteousness,  
And through the earth the nations shall your just rule confess.

O God, let people praise you, let all the nations sing,  
For earth in rich abundance to us her fruit shall bring.  
The Lord our God shall bless us, our God shall blessing send,  
And all the earth shall fear him to its remotest end. Amen.

**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.