

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, November 19, 2023

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 in the *Trinity Hymnal*)

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.*

The pastor will read the plain text; the congregation will read the bold text.

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 39

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 715

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home:
All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied:
Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field, fruit unto his praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown:
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear:
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his harvest home;
From his field shall in that day all offenses purge away;
Give his angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store in his garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come to thy final harvest home;
Gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin;
There forever purified, in thy presence to abide:
Come, with all thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home. Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 24. *How does Christ execute the office of a prophet?*

A. Christ executes the office of a prophet in revealing to us, by his Word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

Q. 25. *How does Christ execute the office of a priest?*

A. Christ executes the office of a priest in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.

Q. 26. *How does Christ execute the office of a king?*

A. Christ executes the office of a king in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

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.

❖ *Tithes and offerings may be placed in the box at the entrance to the sanctuary or given online through our church's website.*

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

Second Reading*

Matthew 4:1-11

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [Psalm 65]) (refer to the bulletin insert for music)

Praise Waits for Thee in Zion

Praise waits for thee in Zion; all men shall worship there
And pay their vows before thee, O God who hearest prayer.

Our sins rise up against us, prevailing day by day,
But thou wilt show us mercy and take our guilt away.

How blest the man thou callest and bringest near to thee,
That in thy courts forever his dwelling place may be;
He shall within thy temple be satisfied with grace
And filled with all the goodness of thy most holy place.

O God of our salvation, since thou dost love the right,
Thou wilt an answer send us in wondrous deeds of might.

In all earth's habitations, on all the boundless sea,
Man finds no sure reliance, no peace, apart from thee.

Thy might sets fast the mountains; strength girds thee evermore

To calm the raging peoples and still the ocean's roar.

Thy majesty and greatness are through all lands confessed,
And joy on earth thou sendest afar, from east to west.

To bless the earth thou sendest from thine abundant store

The waters of the springtime, enriching it once more.

The seed by thee provided is sown o'er hill and plain,
And thou with gentle showers dost bless the springing grain.

The year with good thou crownest, the earth thy mercy fills,

The wilderness is fruitful, and joyful are the hills;

With corn the vales are covered, the flocks in pastures graze;

All nature joins in singing a joyful song of praise. Amen.

Profession of Faith

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Ben Muresan

“God Is With You”
Genesis 39

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.

HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

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

Monday, November 20

Scripture: Ezekiel 40:28 - 41:26; James 4:1-17; Psalm 118:19-29; Proverbs 28:3-5

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 21

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

Tuesday, November 21

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

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 24

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

Wednesday, 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 25

Pray for: Our covenant children and Christian military chaplains.

The churches in New Caledonia and persecuted Christians.

Thursday, 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 26

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

Friday, 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 27

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

Saturday, 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 28

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

Sunday, 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 29

Pray for: Our worship this morning.

MISSIONS CORNER

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.

Ray & Michele Call | Presbyterian Church in Belize

Dave & Darlene Eby | Africa Reformation Theol. Seminary Uganda

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

Greeting and Call to Worship*

Psalm 111:1-4; 9-10

Leader: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever. He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.

All: He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name! The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!

Hymn*

“Fairest Lord Jesus” Hymn 170

Congregational Confession of Sin

Gracious God, we confess that we have broken your holy laws by our deeds and words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. Our sins and failures weigh heavy on our hearts, and we feel how our fellowship with you has suffered. Forgive us, we pray, 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 glory, honor, and praise be to you, O God, through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Isaiah 55:6-7

Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Hymn

“In Christ Alone”

Scripture Reading*

Isaiah 52:1-12

Hymn

“I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord” Hymn 353

Prayer

Sermon

“Bring the Good News”
Romans 10:5-17

Pastor Dan Borvan

Ordination and Installation of Rudy Manrique

Hymn*

“O Bless the Lord, My Soul” Hymn 78

Benediction*

Congregational Benediction Response*