

## **WORSHIP SERVICE**

September 8, 2024

I have asked one thing from the LORD; it is what I desire: to dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, gazing on the beauty of the LORD and seeking him in his temple.

Psalm 27:4

#### Prelude

#### Welcome and Announcements

### **ENTERING INTO WORSHIP**

#### **Greeting and Blessing\***

#### **Responsive Reading\***

Psalm 28 (p. 793 in the Trinity Hymnal)

To you I call, O LORD my Rock; do not turn a deaf ear to me.

For if you remain silent, I will be like those who have gone down to the pit.

Hear my cry for mercy as I call to you for help,

as I lift up my hands toward your Most Holy Place.

Do not drag me away with the wicked, with those who do evil,

who speak cordially with their neighbors but harbor malice in their hearts.

Repay them for their deeds and for their evil work;

repay them for what their hands have done and bring back upon them what they deserve.

Since they show no regard for the works of the LORD and what his hands have done,

he will tear them down and never build them up again.

Praise be to the LORD, for he has heard my cry for mercy.

The LORD is my strength and my shield;

my heart trusts in him, and I am helped.

My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to him in song.

The LORD is the strength of his people, a fortress of salvation for his anointed one.

Save your people and bless your inheritance; be their shepherd and carry them forever.

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

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

#### I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

I greet thee, who my sure Redeemer art, my only trust and Savior of my heart, Who pain didst undergo for my poor sake; I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.

Thou art the King of mercy and of grace, reigning omnipotent in ev'ry place: So come, O King, and our whole being sway; shine on us with the light of thy pure day.

Thou art the Life, by which alone we live, and all our substance and our strength receive; O comfort us in death's approaching hour, strong-hearted then to face it by thy pow'r.

Thou hast the true and perfect gentleness, no harshness hast thou and no bitterness: Make us to taste the sweet grace found in thee and ever stay in thy sweet unity.

Our hope is in no other save in thee; our faith is built upon thy promise free; O grant to us such stronger hope and sure that we can boldly conquer and endure. Amen.

#### **Congregational Confession of Sin**

**Leader:** Heavenly Father, we come before you with guilt and shame as we consider how we have offended you by our sinful actions, our hurtful words, and our disgraceful thoughts.

All: You know us even better than we know ourselves; none of our sins are hidden from your sight. It grieves us that we continually fall short of what your Word commands.

**Leader:** Forgive us, we pray, and grant us repentant hearts. Enable us to lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely, and strengthen us to run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfector of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at your right hand.

All: All praise, honor, glory, and power be to you: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### Private Confession of Our Sins

## **Assurance of Forgiveness**

1 Timothy 1:15-17

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

## **ADORATION AND PRAISE**

First Reading\* Psalm 34

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 536

#### Searcher of Hearts, from Mine Erase

Searcher of hearts, from mine erase
All thoughts that should not be,
And in its deep recesses trace
My gratitude to thee.

Hearer of prayer, O guide aright Each word and deed of mine; Life's battle teach me how to fight, And be the vict'ry thine.

Giver of all—for ev'ry good
In the Redeemer came
For raiment, shelter, and for food,
I thank thee in his name.

Father and Son and Holy Ghost, Thou glorious Three in One, Thou knowest best what I need most, And let thy will be done. Amen.

#### Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

- **Q. 13.** Did our first parents continue in the estate in which they were created?
- **A.** Our first parents, being left to the freedom of their own will, fell from the estate in which they were created, by sinning against God.
- Q. 14. What is sin?
- **A.** Sin is any lack of conformity to, or transgression of, the Law of God.
- **Q. 15.** What was the sin by which our first parents fell from the estate in which they were created?
- **A.** The sin by which our first parents fell from the estate in which they were created, was their eating of the forbidden fruit.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship \*

Gloria Patri\* Hymn 734

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.

<sup>\*</sup> 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 6:25-34

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [Psalm 93])

(music printed on p. 12)

#### The LORD Reigns Over All

The LORD reigns over all;
He's robed in majesty.
The LORD is robed and wears his belt
Of strength and dignity.

The world established stands Unmoved, it shall endure. From everlasting you are God, Your throne is ever sure.

The floods have lifted up, LORD, lifted up their voice; The floods have lifted up their waves And made a mighty noise.

The LORD, enthroned on high,
More powerful is he
Than thunder of the ocean's waves
Or breakers of the sea.

Your statutes, LORD, stand firm; Unchanging is your word. And holiness adorns your house Forevermore, O LORD. Amen.

### **Pastoral Prayer**

Sermon Pastor Rudy Manrique

"Precious Remedies Against Anxiety" Philippians 4:4-7

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

Hymn of Thanksgiving\*

Hymn 629

#### What A Friend We Have in Jesus

What a Friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged: Take it to the Lord in prayer! Can we find a friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—Take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy-laden, Cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge— Take it to the Lord in prayer! Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In his arms he'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a solace there. Amen.

### Benediction\*

## **Congregational Benediction Response\***

(Hymn 115, verse 5)

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, And praise the Spirit, three in One, O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Amen.

## **SERMON NOTES**

"Precious Remedies Against Anxiety" Philippians 4:4-7

1. Remedy #1: The Joy of the Lord (vv. 4-5a)				
Philippians 3:2; Nehemiah 8:10; Matthew 5:43-45				
2. Remedy #2: The Nearness of the Lord (vv. 5b-6)				
The Day of the Lord is a comfort to God's people.				
Titus 2:13; James 5:8				
Knowing the Lord is near comforts His people.				
Psalm 41:3; Psalm 32:5; Psalm 145:18; Psalm 34:18; Matthew 28:20;				
1 Peter 5:7; Matthew 10:29-31; Matthew 6:31-33				
3. Remedy #3: The Peace of the Lord (v. 7)				
John 14:27; Romans 5:1; Ephesians 2:17; Colossians 2:19-20				

## **HOME WORSHIP GUIDE**

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

#### Monday, September 9

Scripture: Isaiah 3:1 - 5:30; 2 Corinthians 11:1-15; Psalm 53:1-6; Proverbs 22:28-29

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 30 Pray for: Our federal, state, and local government leaders.

#### Tuesday, September 10

Scripture: Isaiah 6:1 - 7:25; 2 Corinthians 11:16-33; Psalm 54:1-7; Proverbs 23:1-3

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 62 Pray for: Our military, police, fire, and medical personnel.

#### Wednesday, September 11

Scripture: Isaiah 8:1 - 9:21; 2 Corinthians 12:1-10; Psalm 55:1-23; Proverbs 23:4-5

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 63

Pray for: Our covenant children and Christian military chaplains.

The churches in South Africa and persecuted Christians.

#### Thursday, September 12

Scripture: Isaiah 10:1 - 11:16; 2 Corinthians 12:11-21; Psalm 56:1-13; Proverbs 23:6-8

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 64 Pray for: Our Elders, Deacons, Women's Ministry, & the PCA.

### Friday, September 13

Scripture: Isaiah 12:1 - 14:32; 2 Corinthians 13:1-14; Psalm 57:1-11; Proverbs 23:9-11

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 65 Pray for: Our members who have ongoing health care needs.

The Shepherd's Church Plant in Riverside and the Manrique Family.

## Saturday, September 14

Scripture: Isaiah 15:1 - 18:7; Galatians 1:1-24; Psalm 58:1-11; Proverbs 23:12

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 66 Pray for: The preaching and for our Sunday School teachers.

#### Sunday, September 15

Scripture: Isaiah 19:1 – 21:17; Galatians 2:1-16; Psalm 59:1-17; Proverbs 23:13-14

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 67

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 in Belize

Dave Eby in Uganda

Christ Bible Institute in Japan

The Shepherd's Church in Riverside

### **EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE**

#### Prelude

### **Greeting and Call to Worship\***

Psalm 28:6-9

**Leader:** Blessed be the LORD! For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy. The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

All: The LORD is the strength of his people; he is the saving refuge of his anointed. Oh, save your people and bless your heritage! Be their shepherd and carry them forever.

Hymn\*

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Hymn 32

## **Congregational Confession of Sin**

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. Our sins weigh heavy on our hearts, and they burden our souls. Forgive us, we pray. Give us a renewed desire to serve you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength and to love our neighbors as we love ourselves, for we ask in Jesus' Name. 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

"How Blest Is He Whose Trespass" Hymn 551

Scripture Reading\*

Ephesians 6:10-20

Hymn

"Nothing But the Blood" Hymn 307

Prayer

Sermon

"The Helmet of Salvation" Ephesians 6:17

Pastor Ben Muresan

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Hymn\*

"Abide with Me" Hymn 402

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.

# The Lord Reigns over All



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