

# WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, February 28, 2021

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

## Welcome and Announcements

## ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

### Greeting and Blessing\*

### Responsive Reading\*

Psalm 67 (p. 808 in the *Trinity Hymnal*)

May God be gracious to us and bless us  
and make his face shine upon us,

**that your ways may be known on earth,  
your salvation among all nations.**

May the peoples praise you, O God;  
may all the peoples praise you.

**May the nations be glad and sing for joy,**

for you rule the peoples justly  
and guide the nations of the earth.

**May the peoples praise you, O God;  
may all the peoples praise you.**

Then the land will yield its harvest,  
and God, our God, will bless us.

**God will bless us,  
and all the ends of the earth will fear him.**

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

***God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory***

God, all nature sings thy glory, and thy works proclaim thy might;  
Ordered vastness in the heavens, ordered course of day and night;  
Beauty in the changing seasons, beauty in the storming sea;  
All the changing moods of nature praise the changeless Trinity.

Clearer still we see thy hand in man whom thou hast made for thee;  
Ruler of creation's glory, image of thy majesty.  
Music, art, the fruitful garden, all the labor of his days,  
Are the calling of his Maker to the harvest feast of praise.

But our sins have spoiled thine image; nature, conscience only serve  
As unceasing, grim reminders of the wrath which we deserve.  
Yet thy grace and saving mercy in thy Word of truth revealed  
Claim the praise of all who know thee, in the blood of Jesus sealed.

God of glory, power, mercy, all creation praises thee;  
We, thy creatures, would adore thee now and through eternity.  
Saved to magnify thy goodness, grant us strength to do thy will;  
With our acts as with our voices thy commandments to fulfill. Amen.

**Congregational Confession of Sin**

**Leader:** Lord our God, you are very great! You are clothed with splendor and majesty, covering yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent. As we consider your glory and holiness, we are humbled and readily acknowledge our sinfulness.

**All:** We confess that we have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and we have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves.

**Leader:** 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:** 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**

John 6:37-39

All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day.

## ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading\*

Psalm 23

Congregational Response

Hymn 252

### *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
Save in the death of Christ my God:  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down:  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all. Amen.

## Confession of Faith

*The Nicene Creed* (p. 846)

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.  
And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;  
who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## 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\*

John 13:21 - 14:7

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month)

Hymn 667

## *God Is My Strong Salvation*

God is my strong salvation;  
What foe have I to fear?  
In darkness and temptation  
My light, my help is near.

Though hosts encamp around me,  
Firm to the fight I stand;  
What terror can confound me,  
With God at my right hand?

Place on the Lord reliance,  
My soul, with courage wait;  
His truth be your affiance,  
When faint and desolate.

His might your heart shall strengthen,  
His love your joy increase;  
Mercy your days shall lengthen;  
The Lord will give you peace. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Ben Muresan

“Comforting Words for Troubled Hearts”  
John 14:1-3

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

## **GOD’S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE**

Hymn of Thanksgiving\*

Hymn 294 (sung to the tune of “Amazing Grace”)

### *The Golden Gates Are Lifted Up*

The golden gates are lifted up,  
The doors are opened wide;  
The King of Glory is gone in  
Unto his Father’s side.

Thou art gone up before us, Lord,  
To make for us a place,  
That we may be where now thou art,  
And look upon God’s face.

And ever on our earthly path  
A gleam of glory lies,  
A light still breaks behind the cloud  
That veiled thee from our eyes.

Lift up our hearts, lift up our minds:  
Let thy dear grace be giv’n,  
That, while we wander here below,  
Our treasure be in heav’n;

That where thou art, at God’s right hand,  
Our hope, our love, may be:  
Dwell thou in us, that we may dwell  
Forevermore in thee. 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.







# 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\*

“Give to Our God Immortal Praise” Hymn 3

### Congregational Confession of Sin

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your unfailing love. According to your great compassion, blot out our transgressions. Wash away all our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin. Against you, you only, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight. Wash us, that we may be whiter than snow, for a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. Restore us to fellowship with you, that we may walk in the full assurance of your promises, and in the freedom of knowing that you care for us and have brought us to yourself by the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, in whose strong Name we pray. Amen.

### Assurance of Forgiveness

Psalm 130:7-8

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

### Hymn

“Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed!” Hymn 254

### Scripture Reading\*

1 Peter 1

### Hymn

“Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord” Hymn 606

### Prayer

### Sermon

“Wait On the Lord”  
Psalm 27

Pastor Clayton Willis

### 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.

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# HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

*The daily reading schedule follows the One Year Bible Reading Plan.  
Use our church directory to pray for an individual or family each day.*

## **Monday, March 1**

Scripture: Leviticus 24:1 - 25:46; Mark 10:13-31; Psalm 44:9-26; Proverbs 10:20-21

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 11

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

## **Tuesday, March 2**

Scripture: Leviticus 25:47 - 27:13; Mark 10:32-52; Psalm 45:1-17; Proverbs 10:22

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 28

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

## **Wednesday, March 3**

Scripture: Leviticus 27:14 - Numbers 1:54; Mark 11:1-26; Psalm 46:1-11; Prov. 10:23

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 29

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

## **Thursday, March 4**

Scripture: Numbers 2:1 - 3:51; Mark 11:27 - 12:17; Psalm 47:1-9; Proverbs 10:24-25

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 30

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

## **Friday, March 5**

Scripture: Numbers 4:1 - 5:31; Mark 12:18-37; Psalm 48:1-14; Proverbs 10:26

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 31

Pray for: Our members who have ongoing health needs.

## **Saturday, March 6**

Scripture: Numbers 6:1 - 7:89; Mark 12:38 - 13:13; Psalm 49:1-20; Proverbs 10:27-28

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 32

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

## **Sunday, March 7**

Scripture: Numbers 8:1 - 9:23; Mark 13:14-37; Psalm 50:1-23; Proverbs 10:29-30

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 33

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.*

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