



WORSHIP SERVICE

March 9, 2025

Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Psalms 37:4

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing*

Responsive Reading*

Psalms 96 (p. 819 in the *Trinity Hymnal*)

Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.

Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.

For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary.

Ascribe to the LORD, O families of nations, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.

Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness;

tremble before him, all the earth.

Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns."

The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity.

Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;

let the sea resound, and all that is in it; let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them.

Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy; they will sing before the LORD, for he comes, he comes to judge the earth.

He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples in his truth.

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

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

To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory, great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that we may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he has done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood! To ev'ry believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus forgiveness receives.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he has done!*

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he has done! Amen.*

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Our sovereign heavenly Father, we humble ourselves now in your presence and confess that we have sinned against you and others.

All: We have not loved you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. All the wrongs that we have done are not hidden from you.

Leader: Our sins and failures weigh heavy on our hearts, and we feel how our fellowship with you has suffered. Forgive us and restore us, we pray, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who loves us and gave himself for us.

All: Give us a growing desire to joyfully serve you and one another as we follow Christ, who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins**Assurance of Forgiveness**

Romans 3:21-24

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading*

Leviticus 26:1-13

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 473

Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

“Jesus sinners doth receive”
Word of surest consolation;
Word all sorrow to relieve,
Word of pardon, peace, salvation!
Naught like this can comfort give:
“Jesus sinners doth receive.”

On God’s grace we have no claim,
Yet to us his pledge is given;
He hath sworn by his own name,
Open are the gates of heaven.
Take to heart this word and live:
“Jesus sinners doth receive.”

When a helpless lamb doth stray,
After it, the Shepherd, pressing
Thro’ each dark and dang’rous way,
Brings it back, his own possessing.
Jesus seeks thee, O believe:
“Jesus sinners doth receive.”

Oh, how blest it is to know:
Were as scarlet my transgression,
It shall be as white as snow
By thy blood and bitter passion;
For these words I now believe:
“Jesus sinners doth receive.”

Now my conscience is at peace,
From the Law I stand acquitted;
Christ hath purchased my release
And my every sin remitted.
Naught remains my soul to grieve—
“Jesus sinners doth receive.” Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 76. *Which is the ninth commandment?*

A. The ninth commandment is, “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.”

Q. 77. *What is required in the ninth commandment?*

A. The ninth commandment requires the maintaining and promoting of truth between man and man, and of our own and our neighbor’s good name, especially in testifying as witnesses.

Q. 78. *What is forbidden in the ninth commandment?*

A. The ninth commandment forbids whatever is prejudicial to truth, or injurious to our own or our neighbor’s good name.

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.

❖ *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*

Psalm 91

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [Psalm 115:1-3, 9-14, 18])

Hymn 67

Not Unto Us, O Lord of Heaven

Not unto us, O Lord of heav'n,
But unto you be glory giv'n;
In love and truth you do fulfill
The counsels of your sovereign will;
Though nations fail your pow'r to own,
Yet you do reign, and you alone.

Let Israel trust in God alone,
The Lord whose grace and pow'r are known;
To him your full allegiance yield,
And he will be your help and shield.
All those who fear him God will bless;
His saints have proved his faithfulness.

All you that fear him and adore,
The Lord increase you more and more;
Both great and small who him confess,
You and your children he will bless.
Yes, we will ever bless his name;
Praise you the Lord, his praise proclaim. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Rudy Manrique

“Christ Is Our Refuge and Fortress”
Psalm 91

GOD’S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Hymn 90

The Man Who Once Has Found Abode

The man who once has found abode, within the secret place of God
Shall with Almighty God abide, and in his shadow safely hide.

I therefore of the Lord will say, he is my refuge and my stay;
My citadel of strength is he—my God in whom my trust shall be.

For he shall with his watchful care preserve thee from the fowler’s snare;
Yea, he shall be thy sure defense against the deadly pestilence.

His outspread pinions shall thee hide, beneath his wings shalt thou confide.
His faithfulness shall ever be a shield and buckler unto thee.

No nightly terrors shall alarm, no deadly shaft by day shall harm;
Nor pestilence that walks by night, nor plagues that waste in noonday light.

Because his angels he commands to bear thee safely in their hands,
To guard thy ways, lest left alone, thou dash thy foot against a stone.

“Because he set his love on Me, from danger I will set him free.
Because to him My name is known, on high I’ll set him as Mine own.” 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

“Christ Is Our Refuge and Fortress”
Psalm 91

1. We have shelter in the character of God. (vv. 1-2)
 Psalm 89:49
 Genesis 14:19-20
 Genesis 17:1-2
2. We have shelter from the curse of sin. (vv. 3-13)
 Psalm 121:4
 Leviticus 26:14
 Genesis 3:15
3. We have shelter in the promises of God. (vv. 14-16)
 Deuteronomy 6:5
 Psalm 91:2
 Matthew 4:4-6
 2 Corinthians 1:20

HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

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

Monday, March 10

Scripture: Numbers 14:1 - 15:16; Mark 14:53-72; Psalm 53:1-6; Proverbs 11:4

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 23

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

Tuesday, March 11

Scripture: Numbers 15:17 - 16:40; Mark 15:1-47; Psalm 54:1-7; Proverbs 11:5-6

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 4

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

Wednesday, March 12

Scripture: Numbers 16:41 - 18:32; Mark 16:1-20; Psalm 55:1-23; Proverbs 11:7

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 5

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

Thursday, March 13

Scripture: Numbers 19:1 - 20:29; Luke 1:1-25; Psalm 56:1-13; Proverbs 11:8

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 6

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

Friday, March 14

Scripture: Numbers 21:1 - 22:20; Luke 1:26-56; Psalm 57:1-11; Proverbs 11:9-11

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 7

Pray for: Our members who have ongoing health care needs.
The Shepherd's Church Plant in Riverside and the Manrique Family.

Saturday, March 15

Scripture: Numbers 22:21 - 23:30; Luke 1:57-80; Psalm 58:1-11; Proverbs 11:12-13

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 8

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

Sunday, March 16

Scripture: Numbers 24:1 - 25:18; Luke 2:1-35; Psalm 59:1-17; Proverbs 11:14

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 9

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 146:1-4, 7-10

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

All: Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish. The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. The LORD watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!

Hymn*

“Forever Settled in the Heavens” Hymn 59

Congregational Confession of Sin

Almighty God, you are rich in mercy to all those who call upon you. Hear us as we come to you humbly confessing our sins and transgressions and imploring your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws by our deeds, by our words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before you our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness, and all our failures and shortcomings toward you and our neighbors. Have mercy on us, O Lord, and grant that we may hereafter serve and please you in newness of life, for we ask in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Ephesians 4:31-32

Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Hymn

“Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!” Hymn 498

Scripture Reading*

Hebrews 3:7-19

Hymn

“Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured” Hymn 429

Prayer

Sermon

“A Call to Worship”

Pastor Ray Call

Psalm 95

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Hymn*

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” Hymn 598

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.

Not unto Us, O Lord of Heaven

Not to us, LORD, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness. Ps. 115:1

1. Not un - to us, O Lord of heav'n, but un - to
 2. Let Is - rael trust in God a - lone, the Lord whose
 3. All you that fear him and a - dore, the Lord in -

you be glo - ry giv'n; in love and truth you do ful -
 grace and pow'r are known; to him your full al - le - giance
 crease you more and more; both great and small who him con -

fil the coun - sels of your sov - ereign will; though na - tions
 yield, and he will be your help and shield. All those who
 fess, you and your chil - dren he will bless. Yes, we will

fail your pow'r to own, yet you do reign, and you a - lone.
 fear him God will bless; his saints have proved his faith - ful - ness.
 ev - er bless his name; praise you the Lord, his praise pro - claim.



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