



# WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, May 3, 2026

Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.  
Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

**Psalm 32:10-11**

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

## ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

**Greeting and Blessing\***

**Responsive Reading\***

Psalm 51:1-15 (p. 804 in the *Trinity Hymnal*)

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;

**according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.**

Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

**For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.**

Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight,

**so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge.**

Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

**Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place.**

Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean;

**wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.**

Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice.

**Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity.**

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

**Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me.**

Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

**Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will turn back to you.**

Save me from bloodguilt, O God, the God who saves me, and my tongue will sing of your righteousness.

**O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.**

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

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

***Fairest Lord Jesus***

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,  
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight,  
And all the twinkling, starry host:  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels heav'n can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations!  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,  
Now and forevermore be thine. Amen.

**Congregational Confession of Sin**

**Leader:** Heavenly Father, we thank you for your Law which reveals your holiness and our need for the imputed righteousness of Christ. The Seventh Commandment of your Law is, "You shall not commit adultery."

**All:** We confess that we have broken this commandment. We have lusted with our eyes and entertained perverse thoughts in our minds. Rather than seeking to preserve our own and our neighbor's chastity, we have failed and ask for your forgiveness. Enable us by your Holy Spirit to put off sin and to put on Christ. Help us in our fight against sin, and empower us to act, speak, and think in ways that glorify you. We ask all this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

**Private Confession of Our Sins**

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

1 Peter 2:22-25

Christ committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

## ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading\*

Deuteronomy 4:15-24

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 469

### *How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place*

How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors,  
While everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast,  
Each of us cries, with thankful tongue, "Lord, why was I a guest?"

"Why was I made to hear your voice, and enter while there's room,  
When thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in;  
Else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come;  
Send your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.

We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race  
May, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace. Amen.

## Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

**Q. 98.** *What is prayer?*

**A.** Prayer is an offering up of our desires to God, for things agreeable to his will, in the name of Christ, with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgment of his mercies.

**Q. 99.** *What rule has God given for our direction in prayer?*

**A.** The whole Word of God is of use to direct us in prayer; but the special rule of direction is the form of prayer that Christ taught his disciples, commonly called “the Lord’s Prayer.”

**Q. 100.** *What does the Preface of the Lord’s Prayer teach us?*

**A.** The Preface of the Lord’s Prayer, which is, “Our Father in heaven,” teaches us to draw near to God with all holy reverence and confidence, as children to a father, able and ready to help us; and that we should pray with and for others.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship ❖

### Doxology\*

Hymn 731

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\*

Mark 7:1-13

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month: Psalm 51:1-15)

Hymn 486

### *God, Be Merciful to Me*

God, be merciful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea;  
Plenteous in compassion thou, blot out my transgressions now;  
Wash me, make me pure within, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess, grief and guilt my soul oppress;  
I have sinned against thy grace and provoked thee to thy face;  
I confess thy judgment just, speechless, I thy mercy trust.

I am evil, born in sin; thou desirest truth within.  
Thou alone my Savior art, teach thy wisdom to my heart;  
Make me pure, thy grace bestow, wash me whiter than the snow.

Broken, humbled to the dust by thy wrath and judgment just,  
Let my contrite heart rejoice and in gladness hear thy voice;  
From my sins O hide thy face, blot them out in boundless grace.

Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true;  
Cast me not away from thee, let thy Spirit dwell in me;  
Thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.

Sinners then shall learn from me and return, O God, to thee;  
Savior, all my guilt remove, and my tongue shall sing thy love;  
Touch my silent lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall praise accord. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Ben Muresan

“Christ Is Enough”  
Colossians 2:8-10

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

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

Hymn of Thanksgiving\*

Hymn 500

### *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;  
Let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling;  
Naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee. 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.





# HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

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

## **Monday, May 4**

Scripture: Judges 19:1 - 20:48; John 3:22 - 4:3; Psalm 104:25-35; Proverbs 14:22-23

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 18

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

## **Tuesday, May 5**

Scripture: Judges 21:1 - Ruth 1:22; John 4:4-42; Psalm 105:1-15; Proverbs 14:24-25

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 43

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

## **Wednesday, May 6**

Scripture: Ruth 2:1 - 4:22; John 4:43-54; Psalm 105:16-36; Proverbs 14:26-27

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 44

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

## **Thursday, May 7**

Scripture: 1 Samuel 1:1 - 2:21; John 5:1-23; Psalm 105:37-45; Proverbs 14:28-29

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 45

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

## **Friday, May 8**

Scripture: 1 Samuel 2:22 - 4:22; John 5:24-47; Psalm 106:1-12; Proverbs 14:30-31

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 46

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

## **Saturday, May 9**

Scripture: 1 Samuel 5:1 - 7:17; John 6:1-21; Psalm 106:13-31; Proverbs 14:32-33

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 47

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

## **Sunday, May 10**

Scripture: 1 Samuel 8:1 - 9:27; John 6:22-42; Psalm 106:32-48; Proverbs 14:34-35

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 48

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 the Dominican Republic**

**Dave Eby in Uganda**

**Christ Bible Institute in Japan**

**The Shepherd's Church in Riverside**

## LORD'S DAY DEVOTION AND QUESTIONS

The moment that Jesus began his earthly ministry, false teaching about him started to spread. It began with the Jewish religious leaders who denied that he was the Messiah. After his ascension into heaven, false teaching about him increased exponentially among both Jews and Gentiles. The danger of false teaching about Christ is that it robs him of his glory and undermines the Gospel. We must always assert that Christ is perfect, sufficient, and divine. He lacks nothing, and those who trust in him will lack nothing. John Calvin, in his *Institutes* (II.xvi.19), writes:

We see that our whole salvation and all its parts are comprehended in Christ. We should therefore take care not to derive the least portion of it from anywhere else.

If we seek salvation, we are taught by the very name of Jesus that it is “of him.”

If we seek any other gifts of the Spirit, they will be found in his anointing.

If we seek strength, it lies in his dominion;

if purity, in his conception;

if gentleness, it appears in his birth. For by his birth he was made like us in all respects that he might learn to feel our pain.

If we seek redemption, it lies in his passion;

if acquittal, in his condemnation;

if remission of the curse, in his cross;

if satisfaction, in his sacrifice;

if purification, in his blood;

if reconciliation, in his descent into hell;

if mortification of the flesh, in his tomb;

if newness of life, in his resurrection;

if immortality, in the same;

if inheritance of the Heavenly Kingdom, in his entrance into heaven;

if protection, if security, if abundant supply of all blessings, in his Kingdom;

if untroubled expectation of judgment, in the power given him to judge.

In short, since rich store of every kind of good abounds in him, let us drink our fill from this fountain, and from no other.

1. For review, read Colossians 2:1-7. How does Paul describe the unique glory of Christ? How can we grow in our faith in Christ?
2. Read Colossians 2:8 and review the first point of the sermon outline. What are some of the deceitful teachings about Christ today? How can you keep yourself from being taken captive by them?
3. Read Colossians 2:9-10 and review the second point of the sermon outline. Using these verses, how would you counsel a fellow Christian struggling with their assurance of salvation by faith alone in Christ alone?



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