

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, June 15, 2025

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth! Psalm 57:5

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing*

Responsive Reading*

Psalm 139:1-14 (p. 836 in the Trinity Hymnal)

O LORD, you have searched me and you know me.

You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.

You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.

Before a word is on my tongue you know it completely, O LORD.

You hem me in—behind and before; you have laid your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

Where can I go from your Spirit?

Where can I flee from your presence?

If I go up to the heavens, you are there;

if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea,

even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.

If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,"

even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.

For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;

your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

^{*} Congregation is requested to stand, if able.

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

This Is My Father's World

This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world: he shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: the battle is not done;
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heav'n be one. Amen.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Gracious God, you caution us in your Word, saying: "Do not enter the path of the wicked, and do not walk in the way of the evil. Avoid it; do not go on it; turn away from it and pass it on."

All: Father, we confess that we have not obeyed your Word. Though you have blessed us with eternal riches in Christ, we have preferred the ways of this world. We have rebelled against your wisdom and sought after foolishness. We have rejected your fatherly commands and have done what is right in our own eyes.

Leader: Forgive us, we pray, and enable us by your Holy Spirit to love your commandments and to walk in your ways.

All: Thank you for the assurance we have of forgiveness through the blood of our Savior, who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 10:8-11

But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading* Jeremiah 7:1-15

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 19

Thee We Adore, Eternal Lord!

Thee we adore, eternal Lord! We praise thy name with one accord. Thy saints, who here thy goodness see, through all the world do worship thee, Through all the world do worship thee.

To thee aloud all angels cry, the heav'ns and all the pow'rs on high: Thee, holy, holy King, Lord God of Hosts, they ever sing, Lord God of Hosts, they ever sing.

Apostles join the glorious throng, and prophets swell th'immortal song; Thy martyrs' noble army raise eternal anthems to thy praise, Eternal anthems to thy praise.

From day to day, O Lord, do we exalt and highly honor thee! Thy name we worship and adore, world without end, forevermore, World without end, forevermore. Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

- **Q. 106.** For what do we pray in the sixth petition?
- **A.** In the sixth petition, which is, "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil," we pray that God would either keep us from being tempted to sin, or support and deliver us when we are tempted.
- **Q. 107.** What does the conclusion of the Lord's Prayer teach us?
- A. The conclusion of the Lord's Prayer, which is, "For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen," teaches us to take our encouragement in prayer from God only, and in our prayers to praise him, ascribing kingdom, power, and glory to him; and in testimony of our desire and assurance to be heard, we say, "Amen."

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* Acts 4:32 - 5:11

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [Psalm 117])

Hymn 7

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

From all that dwell below the skies Let the Creator's praise arise; Let the Redeemer's name be sung Through every land, by every tongue.

In every land begin the song; To every land the strains belong. In cheerful sound all voices raise And fill the world with joyful praise.

Eternal are your mercies, Lord; Eternal truth attends your word. Your praise shall sound from shore to shore Till suns shall rise and set no more. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon Pastor Ben Muresan

"The Eighth Commandment: Trust God's Provision" Exodus 20:15

GOD'S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Hymn 642

Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art—Thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, I thy true son; thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my battle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my dignity, thou my delight, Thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r: raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: Thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all. 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.

SERMON NOTES

"The Eighth Commandment: Trust God's Provision" Exodus 20:15

1. The foundation of the Eighth Commandment:

	Everything belongs to God. (Exodus 19:5; Deut. 10:14; Psalm 24:1-2) God graciously provides what he knows each of us needs. (Acts 4:34-35; 5:4) We must trust God and not unlawfully take more than he has given each of us. (Prov. 30:7-9)
2.	The Eighth Commandment forbids: theft, fraud, dishonest practices, covetousness, wastefulness
3.	The Eighth Commandment requires: thankfulness (Psalm 118) honesty (2 Corinthians 8:21) generosity (1 Timothy 6:17-18) good stewardship (1 Peter 4:10) tithes and offerings (2 Corinthians 9:7) diligence (Ephesians 4:28)
4.	The Eighth Commandment points us to Christ. Jesus was generous. (John 2:1-11; 6:1-15) He opposed theft. (John 2:13-17) He became poor so that we might become rich through faith in him. (2 Corinthians 8:9)

HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

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

Monday, June 16

Scripture: 1 Kings 15:25 - 17:24; Acts 10:24-48; Psalm 134:1-3; Proverbs 17:9-11

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 4 Pray for: Our federal, state, and local government leaders.

Tuesday, June 17

Scripture: 1 Kings 18:1-46; Acts 11:1-30; Psalm 135:1-21; Proverbs 17:12-13

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 88 Pray for: Our military, police, fire, and medical personnel.

Wednesday, June 18

Scripture: 1 Kings 19:1-21; Acts 12:1-23; Psalm 136:1-26; Proverbs 17:14-15

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 89

Pray for: Our covenant children and Christian military chaplains.

The churches in Western Sahara and persecuted Christians.

Thursday, June 19

Scripture: 1 Kings 20:1 - 21:29; Acts 12:24 - 13:15; Psalm 137:1-9; Proverbs 17:16

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 90 Pray for: Our Elders, Deacons, Women's Ministry, & the PCA.

Friday, June 20

Scripture: 1 Kings 22:1-53; Acts 13:16-41; Psalm 138:1-8; Proverbs 17:17-18

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 91
Pray for: Our members who have ongoing health care needs.

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

Saturday, June 21

Scripture: 2 Kings 1:1 - 2:25; Acts 13:42 - 14:7; Psalm 139:1-24; Proverbs 17:19-21

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 92 Pray for: The preaching and for our Sunday School teachers.

Sunday, June 22

Scripture: 2 Kings 3:1 - 4:17; Acts 14:8-28; Psalm 140:1-13; Proverbs 17:22

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 93

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 GATHERING for PRAYER and HYMNS

Scripture Reading and Opening Prayer

Hymn 172 "Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder"

Prayer of Praise, Adoration, and Thanksgiving

Devotion

Hymn 93 "The Tender Love a Father Has"

Prayer for Church Members

Hymn 441 "Jesus Shall Reign"

Prayer for The Shepherd's Church and Our Denomination

Hymn 402 "Abide with Me"

Closing Prayer



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