

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, July 20, 2025

O my Strength, I will sing praises to you, for you, O God, are my fortress, the God who shows me steadfast love.

Psalm 59:17

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing*

Responsive Reading*

Psalm 1 (p. 785 in the Trinity Hymnal)

Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers.

But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.

He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.

Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

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

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

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; Him serve with fear, his praise forthtell, Come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord ye know is God indeed; Without our aid he did us make; We are his folk, he doth us feed, And for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise, Approach with joy his courts unto; Praise, laud, and bless his name always, For it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good, His mercy is forever sure; His truth at all times firmly stood, And shall from age to age endure. Amen.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Gracious God, we believe that your Law is holy, and your commandments are righteous and good. Your Law reveals our sin and how desperately we need your saving grace.

All: The Sixth Commandment is: "You shall not murder."

Leader: We confess that we have broken this commandment by harboring thoughts of sinful anger and hatred toward others. Rather than loving our enemies and praying for those who trouble us, we have instead responded with cold indifference and feelings of contempt.

All: Forgive us and grant us a growing desire to love and serve you and others as we follow after our Savior, Jesus 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

Jude 24-25

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading*

Exodus 20:22-26; 22:18-20, 29-31

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 261

What Wondrous Love Is This

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And through eternity I'll sing on! Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

- **Q. 10.** How did God create man?
- Α. God created man male and female, after his own image, in knowledge, righteousness, and holiness, with dominion over the creatures.
- What are God's works of providence? Q. 11.
- Α. God's works of providence are, his most holy, wise, and powerful preserving and governing all his creatures, and all their actions.
- Q. 12. What special act of providence did God exercise towards man in the estate in which he was created?
- Α. When God created man, he entered into a covenant of life with him, upon condition of perfect obedience; forbidding him to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, on the pain of death.

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* Exodus 23:10-33

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [Psalm 5])

Hymn 51

O Jehovah, Hear My Words

O Jehovah, hear my words, to my thoughts attentive be; Hear my cry, my King, my God, I will make my prayer to thee. With the morning light, O Lord, thou shalt hear my voice arise, And expectant I will bring prayer as morning sacrifice.

Thou, Jehovah, art a God who delightest not in sin; Evil shall not dwell with thee, nor the proud thy favor win. Evildoers thou dost hate, lying tongues thou wilt defeat; God abhors the man who loves violence and base deceit.

In the fulness of thy grace to thy house I will repair; Bowing toward thy holy place, in thy fear to worship there. Lead me in thy righteousness, let my foes assail in vain; Lest my feet be turned aside, make thy way before me plain.

False and faithless are my foes, in their mouth no truth is found; Deadly are the words they speak, all their thoughts with sin abound. Bring, O God, their plans to naught, hold them guilty in thy sight, For against thee and thy law they have set themselves to fight.

O let all that trust thy care ever glad and joyful be; Let them joy who love thy name, safely guarded, Lord, by thee. For a blessing from thy store to the righteous thou wilt yield; Thou wilt compass him about with thy favor as a shield. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon Pastor Ben Muresan

"True Worship" Exodus 20:22-26; 22:18-20, 29-31; 23:10-33

GOD'S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Hymn 299

Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious

Look, ye saints, the sight is glorious: see the Man of Sorrows now; From the fight returned victorious, ev'ry knee to him shall bow. Crown him! Crown him! Crowns become the Victor's brow.

Crown the Savior, angels, crown him; rich the trophies Jesus brings; In the seat of pow'r enthrone him, while the vault of heaven rings.

Crown him! Crown him! Crown the Savior King of kings.

Sinners in derision crowned him, mocking thus the Savior's claim; Saints and angels crowd around him, own his title, praise his name. Crown him! Crown him! Spread abroad the Victor's fame!

Hark! those bursts of acclamation! Hark! those loud triumphant chords!

Jesus takes the highest station; O what joy the sight affords!

Crown him! Crown him! King of kings and Lord of lords. 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

"True Worship" Exodus 20:22-26; 22:18-20, 29-31; 23:10-33

1.	True worship leads to eternal life. (20:22-26; 22:18-20) John 14:6
2.	True worship is Christ-centered. (22:29-31; 23:10-19) Hebrews 10:1-3, 4
3.	True worship was offered by Christ, so we will enter <i>and remain</i> in heaven. Colossians 3:1-4

HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

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

Monday, July 21

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 4:1 - 6:11; Romans 7:1-13; Psalm 17:1-15; Proverbs 19:22-23

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 9 Pray for: Our federal, state, and local government leaders.

Tuesday, July 22

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 6:12 - 8:10; Romans 7:14 - 8:8; Psalm 18:1-15; Prov. 19:24-25

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 11 Pray for: Our military, police, fire, and medical personnel.

Wednesday, July 23

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 8:11 - 10:19; Romans 8:9-25; Psalm 18:16-36; Proverbs 19:26

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 12

Pray for: Our covenant children and Christian military chaplains.

The churches in Albania and persecuted Christians.

Thursday, July 24

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 11:1 - 13:22; Romans 8:26-39; Psalm 18:37-50; Prov. 19:27-29

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 13

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

Friday, July 25

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 14:1 - 16:14; Romans 9:1-24; Psalm 19:1-14; Proverbs 20:1

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 14 Pray for: Our members who have ongoing health care needs.

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

Saturday, July 26

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 17:1 - 18:34; Romans 9:25 - 10:13; Psalm 20:1-9; Prov. 20:2-3

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 15 Pray for: The preaching and for our Sunday School teachers.

Sunday, July 27

Scripture: 2 Chron. 19:1 - 20:37; Romans 10:14 - 11:12; Psalm 21:1-13; Prov. 20:4-6

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 16

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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EVENING GATHERING for PRAYER and HYMNS

Scripture Reading and Opening Prayer

Hymn 78 "O Bless the Lord, My Soul"

Prayer of Praise, Adoration, and Thanksgiving

Devotion

Hymn 468 "My Faith Has Found a Resting Place"

Prayer for Church Members, Family, and Friends

Hymn 347 "The Church's One Foundation"

Prayer for The Shepherd's Church and Our Missionaries

Hymn 598 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Closing Prayer



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