

Sunday Morning Worship Celebration

Psalm 129

August 10, 2025

Summer in the Psalms: Psalms of Ascent

Gathering

Announcements

Missionary shares.

Prelude | "Speak, O Lord"

Music by Keith and Kristyn Getty. Arranged by Philip Keveren.

Praise

Call to Worship | Psalm 13:3-6 (responsive)

Leader: Consider and answer me, O LORD my God; light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death, lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him," lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken.

People: But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the LORD, because he has dealt bountifully with me.

The Invocation

Praise | 10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord) [Matt Redman]

Confession & Assurance

Need of Confession | Romans 7:22-23

[22] For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, [23] but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.

Corporate Confession of Sin | Based on Psalm 129 Leader:

"Greatly have they afflicted us from our youth," says your people, O Lord. And we, too, feel the weight of wounds—seen and unseen. We come weary, wounded, and wondering what you are doing.

All:

You are righteous, O Lord—but we confess how little we have trusted your wisdom or waited on your timing.

Leader:

In our pain, we have sometimes given up. We have grown bitter. We've looked for escape or control instead of clinging to your promises. We confess that our faith has often faltered under pressure.

All:

Forgive us, Lord. We are weak. Be our strength. Restore to us the hope of your steadfast love.

Leader:

Father, for the sake of your Son—who suffered with us and for us—do not hold our sins against us. Look upon his righteousness, and receive us in him.

All:

Renew our hearts. Teach us to endure with humility, to wait in hope, and to trust you even in the dark. Amen.

Personal Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon | Psalm 65:3-4

[3] When iniquities prevail against me, you atone for our transgressions. [4] Blessed is the one you choose and bring near, to dwell in your courts! We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, the holiness of your temple!

Gospel Hymn | Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted [Trinity Hymnal] TH #257.

Corporate Prayer & Giving

The Lord's Prayer (unison) / Pastoral 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 the 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.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory | "O Church Arise"

Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend. Arranged by Philip Keveren.

Gloria Patri [Trinity Hymnal #735] TH #735.

Hearing of the Word

Sermon | Psalm 129 - "Enduring Endless Affliction"

Affirmation of Faith | Westminster Shorter Catechism Q #26

Q. 26. How does Christ execute the office of a king?

A. Christ executes the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

Communion Psalm | The King Of Love My Shepherd Is (Psalm 23) [Default Arrangement]

Verses 1-2. Elders come forward

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Words of Instruction

Prayer for the Supper

Of thanksgiving and consecration.

The Bread

Instrumental music to be played.

1 Corinthians 11:23-24

"For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, 'This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

The Cup

Instrumental music to be played.

1 Corinthians 11:25-26

"In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."

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Verses 3-5.

Sending

Benediction

Postlude