

THE LORD'S DAY

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Morning Worship Service: 10:15 AM • Evening Catechism Service: 6:00 PM

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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

10:15 AM

Prelude and Silent Prayer

(Upon entering the sanctuary, please remain silent as the congregation prepares for worship)

“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.” (*Munster Gesangbuch*, 1677; Tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1873)

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us to Worship

†Call to Worship Joel 3:16

The LORD roars from Zion, and utters his voice from Jerusalem, and the heavens and the earth quake. But the LORD is a refuge to his people, a stronghold to the people of Israel.

†Opening Prayer

†Responsive Reading Rev. 1:4-5; Psa. 5

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

Amen!

Give ear to my words, O LORD;

Consider my groaning.

Give attention to the sound of my cry,

My King and my God, for to you do I pray.

O LORD, in the morning you hear my voice;

In the morning I prepare a sacrifice for you and watch.

For you bless the righteous, O LORD;

You cover him with favor as with a shield.

†“Sing, Choirs of New Jerusalem” #358*

God Assures Us of Forgiveness

Call to Confession

Matthew 22:35-40

Confession of Sin

(Robert G. Rayburn, *O Come Let Us Worship*)

O God and Father, whose chosen dwelling is the heart that longs for your presence and humbly seeks your love: we come to you to acknowledge and confess that we have sinned in thought and word and deed; we have not loved you with all our heart and soul, with all our mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and for the good we have left undone. But you, O Lord, are compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and full of mercy; there is forgiveness with you. Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us the word that we need, and let your word abide with us until it has worked in us your holy will; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 65:2-4

O you who hear prayer, to you shall all flesh come. When iniquities prevail against me, you atone for our transgressions. 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!

†Psalm 104A; 1-5

Pastoral Prayer

†Psalm 87A

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Old Testament Reading Psalm 87
This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 494)
Thanks be to God!

New Testament Reading Philippians 4:10-23
This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 982)
Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination
Sermon

PHILIPPIANS 4:10-23
FRIENDSHIP FOR GOD'S GLORY
EXPOSITION OF PHILIPPIANS #10
i. Faith-Filled Contentment
ii. God-Glorifying Thanks
iii. Christ-Centered Greetings

†“The Church’s One Foundation” #404

God Communes with Us in the Lord’s Supper

Preparation and Prayer of Consecration
By the promise of God this bread and wine are
for us the body and blood of Christ. Lift up
your hearts!
We lift them up to the Lord!

Distribution of the Bread and Wine
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Offering 1st: General Fund
 2nd: Building Fund

God Blesses Us and Sends Us to Be a Blessing

†Benediction Numbers 6:24-26
The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD
make his face to shine upon you and be
gracious to you; the LORD lift up his
countenance upon you and give you peace.
Amen!

†Doxology (unannounced, #568)*
**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.**

Postlude

bold = congregational response
† = please stand, if able
* = the congregation is invited to lift hands
(during last stanza); cf. Ps. 63:4, 1 Tim. 2:8

Invitation to the Lord’s Supper

We invite you to participate in the Lord’s Supper
with us if you are a professing member in good
standing of a Christian church. This means that:

1. you have been baptized;
2. you have made a public profession of
faith in Jesus Christ;
3. and you desire to live a godly life in
fellowship with his church.

Do you know your place in Christ? Are you
known as faithful to Christ by his church? Then
you too are welcome at his table.

EVENING CATECHISM SERVICE

6:00 PM

Prelude and Silent Prayer

(Upon entering the sanctuary, please remain silent as the congregation prepares for worship)

Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.” You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore. (Psalm 16:1-2, 11)

†Call to Worship Psalm 104:31-33

May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
may the LORD rejoice in his works, who looks
on the earth and it trembles, who touches the
mountains and they smoke! I will sing to the
LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my
God while I have being.

†Opening Prayer

†Responsive Reading Psa. 124:8; Eph. 1:2

Our help is in the name of the LORD,
Who made heaven and earth.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen!

†Psalm 104A; 6-11

†Confession of Faith The Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, and of all
things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-
begotten Son of God, begotten of the
Father before all worlds; God of God,
Light of Light, very God of very God;
begotten, not made, being of one
substance with the Father, by whom all
things were made.**

**Who, for us men and for our salvation,
came down from heaven and was
incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin
Mary, and was made man; and was
crucified also for us under Pontius
Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and
the third day he rose again, according to
the Scriptures; and ascended into
heaven, and sits on the right hand of the
Father; and he shall come again, with
glory, to judge the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord
and Giver of life; who proceeds from the
Father and the Son; who with the Father
and the Son together is worshipped and
glorified; who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe one holy catholic¹ and
apostolic church. I acknowledge one
baptism for the remission of sins; and I
look for the resurrection of the dead, and
the life of the world to come. Amen.**

†Gloria Patri #571*

**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.**

The Life of Gratitude Proverbs 3:1-12

My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your
heart keep my commandments,

**for length of days and years of life and
peace they will add to you.**

Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake
you;

**bind them around your neck; write them
on the tablet of your heart.**

So you will find favor and good success
in the sight of God and man.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
**and do not lean on your own
understanding.**

In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.

¹ “Catholic” means universal; that is, there is one church across all times, places, and peoples (Belgic Confession, art. 27; Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 54).

Be not wise in your own eyes;
fear the LORD, and turn away from evil.
It will be healing to your flesh
and refreshment to your bones.
Honor the LORD with your wealth
**and with the firstfruits of all your
produce;**
then your barns will be filled with plenty,
and your vats will be bursting with wine.
My son, do not despise the LORD's discipline
or be weary of his reproof,
**for the LORD reproves him whom he loves,
as a father the son in whom he delights.**

Pastoral Prayer

**Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be
your name. Your kingdom come. Your 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 yours is the kingdom and
the power and the glory, forever. Amen!**

Psalm of the Month

†Psalm 118A; 1-4

Scripture Reading

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Job 28

(p. 435)

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

TRINITY IN SCRIPTURE

ARTICLE 9

THE BELGIC CONFESSION

p. 857, TPH

†“O God, We Praise Thee” (*Te Deum*) #210

Offering General Fund

†Benediction 2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love
of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be
with you all.

Amen!

†“Nearer, Still Nearer” #531

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