MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 10:15 AM

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)

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us to Worship

†Call to Worship 1 Chronicles 16:28-34 Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength! Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering and come before him! Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth; yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved. Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, and let them say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!" Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it! Then shall the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth. Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

†Opening Prayer

†Responsive Reading Rev. 1:4-5; Psa. 145 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!

I will extol you, my God and King,

And bless your name forever and ever.

Every day I will bless you

And praise your name forever and ever.

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,

And his greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall commend your works to another,

And shall declare your mighty acts.

†"O God Beyond All Praising"

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God Assures Us of Forgiveness

Call to Confession Confession of Sin Matthew 22:35-40

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

Most holy and merciful Father; We acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned: in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. But you, O Lord, have pity upon us who are ashamed and sorry for all the ways in which we have displeased you. Teach us to hate our errors; cleanse us from our secret faults: And forgive our sins for the sake of your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon 1 Corinthians 15:54-58
When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?"
The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

†Psalm 138B

Pastoral Prayer

†Psalm 110B

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Old Testament Reading Zechariah 1:1-6
This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 793)
Thanks be to God!

New Testament Reading Matthew 4:12-17
This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 809)
Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination Sermon

ZECHARIAH 1:1-6
THE LORD REMEMBERS
EXPOSITION OF ZECHARIAH #1
i. In Israel
ii. In Christ
iii. In the Church

†"Jerusalem the Golden"

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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

† = please stand, if able **bold** = congregational response

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.)

†Call to Worship

Psalm 48:1

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God!

†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 48A, Stanzas 1-3

†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 onlybegotten 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 Ephesians 6:10-18 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.

Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace.

In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one;

and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication.

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).

Pastoral Prayer

(adapted from *Psalter Hymnal*, 1976, pp. 184-185) O Lord, Almighty God, we pray that your holy name may not be blasphemed on account of our sins. For we have sinned against you in many ways. We do not obey your holy Word as it is necessary for us. Through ignorance, unthankfulness, and discontent, we daily provoke you to wrath. We confess, Lord, that you are just in inflicting punishment upon us. But we beseech you, O Lord, remember your great mercy and have compassion upon us. Teach us truly to know our sins and sincerely to mourn for them and to amend our life. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Strengthen the ministers of your Church here and everywhere in order that they may faithfully and steadfastly preach your holy Word. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Likewise, Lord, give strength to our rulers that they may wield the sword of civil authority in justice and equity. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray particularly for....Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Keep us, we beseech you, from all hypocrisy and unfaithfulness, and frustrate all evil and subtle designs against your Word and your Church. O Lord, do not withhold from us your Word and your Spirit, but grant us increase in faith, and patience and steadfastness in all suffering and adversity. Comfort your Church, and deliver your people from opposition, ridicule, and tyranny, which it suffers at the hands of wicked men. Impart from on high strength to those that are sorely burdened with sorrow. And visit upon us your peace through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who gave us this sure promise: "Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you," and taught us to pray, saying:

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 44, Stanzas 1-4

Scripture Reading
This is the Word of the Lord.

Proverbs 4 (p. 529)

Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination Sermon

THE WISDOM OF THE FIFTH COMMANDMENT LORD'S DAY 39B THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

104 Q. What is God's will for you in the fifth commandment?

A. That I show honor, love, and faithfulness to my father and mother and all those in authority over me; submit myself with proper obedience to all their good teaching and discipline; and also that I be patient with their failings—for by their hand God wills to rule us.

†Psalm 48A, Stanzas 4-6

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!

†"Lead On, O King Eternal"

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Postlude

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