THE LORD'S DAY

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12693 Orchard Ave. Nampa, ID 83651 • 208-466-4444 www.urcnampa.org • office@urcnampa.org • www.urcnampa.org/sermons Morning Worship Service: 10:15 AM • Evening Catechism Service: 5:00 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)

Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and my mind. For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in your faithfulness. I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD, proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds. O LORD, I love the habitation of your house and the place where your glory dwells. My foot stands on level ground; in the great assembly I will bless the LORD (Psalm 26:2-3, 6-8, 12).

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us to Worship

[†]Call to Worship Isaiah 43:19-21 Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild beasts will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise.

†Opening Prayer

*Responsive Reading Rev. 1:4-5; Ps. 86 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!

Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.

Preserve my life, for I am godly;

save your servant, who trusts in you—you are my God.

Be gracious to me, O Lord, **for to you do I cry all the day.** Gladden the soul of your servant, **for to you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.** †"Holy God, We Praise Your Name" #229*

God Assures Us of Forgiveness

Psalm 15 Call to Confession Confession of Sin Psalm 51:1-10 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me. Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Psalm 130:3-8 If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning. O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities. †Psalm 22D

Pastoral Prayer

†Psalm 16A

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Old Testament Reading	Joshua 9
This is the Word of the Lord.	(p. 184)
Thanks be to God!	

New Testament Reading Revelation 7:9-12 This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 1032) **Thanks be to God!**

Prayer for Illumination Sermon

JOSHUA 9 JOSHUA'S PEACE WITH GIBEON EXPOSITION OF JOSHUA #12 i. Gibeon's Plan ii. God's Grace iii. Israel's Purpose

†"Be Thou My Vision"

#446

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: Peace URC

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
* = 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 5:00 PM

Prelude and Silent Prayer

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Our Father, we come to you as your children, because we need you and want to be with you. We come to you as our Lord and God, because we are in awe of you and worship you. We come to you in the name of Jesus, because you have promised to be with us when we gather together in his name.

[†]Call to Worship Psalm 138:1-2 I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.

†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 138B

Confession of Faith The Apostles' CreedI believe in God the Father Almighty,Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;¹ the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic² church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

†Psalm 22C; 1

Amid the thronging worshipers Jehovah will I bless; before my brethren gathered there, his name will I confess. Come, praise him, ye that fear the Lord, ye children of his grace; with rev'rence sound his glories forth and bow before his face.

The Life of Gratitude

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me.

It is written, "You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve." (Luke 4:8)

You shall not make for yourself a carved image... You shall not bow down to them or serve them.

God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth. (John 4:24)

You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool... Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil. (Matthew 5:33-37)

Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but

¹ See Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 44; Canons of Dort, 2.4.

² "Catholic" means universal; that is, there is one church across all times, places, and peoples (Belgic Confession, art.

^{27;} Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 54).

the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God.

The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath. (Mark 2:27-28)

Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long, and that it may go well with you in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

For God commanded... "Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die." (Matthew 15:4)

You shall not murder.

Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. (Matthew 5:44-45)

You shall not commit adultery.

Everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. (Matthew 5:28)

You shall not steal.

For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person. (Matthew 15:19-20)

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks... for by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned. (Matthew 12:34, 37) You shall not covet ... anything that is your

neighbor's.

Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions. (Luke 12:15)

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 102A; 4-7

Scripture Reading	1 Cori	nthians 12:12-27
	Н	ebrews 10:23-25
This is the Word of the	e Lord.	(pp. 959; 1007)
Thanks be to God!		

Prayer for Illumination Sermon

AN OATH OF FELLOWSHIP ARTICLE 28 THE BELGIC CONFESSION *TPH*, p. 865

i. Our Obligation to Come ii. Our Obligation to Join iii. Our Obligation to Preserve

†"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

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Offering

General Fund

†Benediction 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

Amen!

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