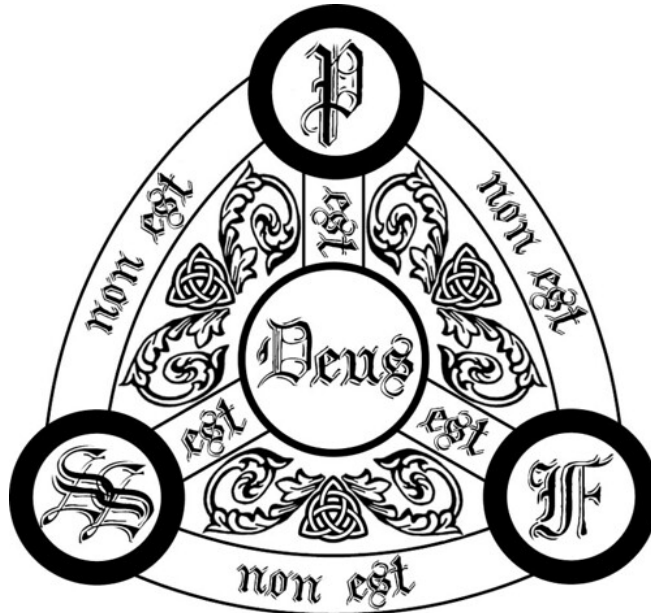


THE LORD'S DAY

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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)

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us to Worship

†Call to Worship Hebrews 12:22-24, 28-29

But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.

†Opening Prayer

†Responsive Reading Revelation 1:4-5; Ps. 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 1 John 1:5-10
Confession of Sin *(Book of Common Prayer, 1549)*

Almighty and most merciful Father; we have erred, and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and so we are helpless without you. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare us, as we confess our faults, restore us, as we are penitent, according to your promises declared to us in Christ Jesus our Lord, and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and devout life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Psalm 34:17-18

When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

Responsive Reading

O Lord, open my lips,

and my mouth will declare your praise.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

it, and kept in it, and that the kingdom of glory may be hastened.

Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

We pray that you, by your grace, would make us able and willing to know, obey, and submit to your will in all things, as the angels do in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

We pray that of your free gift we may receive a sufficient portion of the good things of this life, and enjoy your blessing with them.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

We pray that you, for Christ's sake, would freely pardon all our sins and we are encouraged to ask this because by your grace we are able from the heart to forgive others.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

We pray that you would either keep us from being tempted to sin, or support and deliver us when we are tempted.

For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

We take our encouragement in prayer from you only, and in our prayers we praise you, ascribing kingdom, power, and glory to you. And to testify of our desire and assurance to be heard, we say,

Amen!

Psalm of the Month

†Psalm 138A

Scripture Reading

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Proverbs 3

(p. 528)

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

PROVERBS 3

THE LORD BY WISDOM FOUNDED THE EARTH

EXPOSITION OF PROVERBS

†“This Is My Father’s World”

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Offering

General Fund

†Benediction

Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

Amen!

†“Jerusalem the Golden”

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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