

THE LORD'S DAY

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First Sunday after Pentecost



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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 and Everlasting God, who has given unto us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in your power to worship you as One God in Three Persons; We ask you that you would keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, who lives and reigns, one God, world without end. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us to Worship

†Call to Worship Psalm 65:1, 5-8

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion, and to you shall vows be performed. By awesome deeds you answer us with righteousness, O God of our salvation, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas; the one who by his strength established the mountains, being girded with might; who stills the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples, so that those who dwell at the ends of the earth are in awe at your signs. You make the going out of the morning and the evening to shout for joy.

†Opening Prayer

†Responsive Reading Rev. 1:4-5; Psa. 96

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!

Oh sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth!

Sing to the LORD, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!

For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.

For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

†“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing” #196*

God Assures Us of Forgiveness

Call to Confession Psalm 139:1-4

Confession of Sin *(Book of Common Prayer, 1549)*

O most mighty God, and merciful Father, who has compassion upon all people; who desires not the death of a sinner, but that he should rather turn from his sin and be saved: mercifully forgive us our trespasses; receive and comfort us, who are grieved and wearied with the burden of our sins. Your nature is always to have mercy; to you only it belongs to forgive sins. Spare us therefore, O Lord, spare your people, whom you have redeemed; enter not into judgment with your servants, who are dust, and miserable sinners; but so turn your anger from us, who meekly acknowledge our sins, and truly repent of our faults, and so make haste to help us in this world, that we may ever live with you in the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Psalm 103:9-13

He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows

compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

God Blesses Us and
Sends Us to Be a Blessing

†Psalm 99B

†Benediction Numbers 6:24-26

Pastoral Prayer

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.

†Psalm 82

Amen!

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

†Doxology (unannounced, #568)*

Old Testament Reading Psalm 82
This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 492)
Thanks be to God!

**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.**

New Testament Reading Acts 8:9-25
This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 916)
Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Prayer for Illumination
Sermon

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(during last stanza); cf. Ps. 63:4, 1 Tim. 2:8

PSALM 82, PART 1 OF 2
THE DIVINE COUNCIL
EXPOSITION OF THE PSALMS #85
i. The Oneness of God
ii. The Realness of the gods
iii. The Power of the Gospel

†“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness” #200

God Communes with Us
in the Lord’s Supper

Invitation to 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!

If you are visiting with us this morning, we invite you to participate in the Lord’s Supper with us if the following is true of you:

We lift them up to the Lord!

1. you have received Christian baptism into the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;
2. you have made a public profession of faith in Jesus Christ;
3. you have formal, committed membership in a true Christian church.

Distribution of the Bread and Wine
Prayer of Thanksgiving

If you have any questions about this, please speak with an elder after the service.

Offering 1st: General Fund
2nd: Divine Hope Seminary

EVENING CATECHISM SERVICE

5:00 PM

Prelude and Silent Prayer

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

Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever. As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people, from this time forth and forevermore. (Psalm 125:1-2)

Welcome and Announcements

†Call to Worship Psalm 117

Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!

†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 148B

†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.

God's Will for Our Lives Psalm 19

The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

Day to day pours out speech,
and night to night reveals knowledge.

There is no speech,
nor are there words, whose voice is not heard.

Their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.

In them he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,
and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.

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).

Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
**and its circuit to the end of them, and
there is nothing hidden from its heat.**

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the
soul;

**the testimony of the LORD is sure, making
wise the simple;**

the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the
heart;

**the commandment of the LORD is pure,
enlightening the eyes;**

the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever;

**the rules of the LORD are true, and
righteous altogether.**

More to be desired are they than gold, even
much fine gold;

**sweeter also than honey and drippings of
the honeycomb.**

Moreover, by them is your servant warned;

in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can discern his errors?

Declare me innocent from hidden faults.

Keep back your servant also from
presumptuous sins;

let them not have dominion over me!

Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of
great transgression.

**Let the words of my mouth and the
meditation of my heart be acceptable in
your sight, O LORD, my rock and my
redeemer.**

Pastoral Prayer

Psalm 86

**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 51C; 1-4

Scripture Reading

Proverbs 30

This is the Word of the Lord.

(p. 551)

Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

PROVERBS 30

EVERY WORD OF GOD PROVES TRUE

EXPOSITION OF PROVERBS

†Psalm 119T

Offering

General Fund

†Benediction

1 Peter 5:10-11

And after you have suffered a little while, the
God of all grace, who has called you to his
eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore,
confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him
be the dominion forever and ever.

Amen!

†“It Is Well with My Soul”

#476

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