

THE LORD'S DAY

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Tenth 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)

O LORD, be gracious to us; we wait for you. Be our arm every morning, our salvation in the time of trouble. The LORD is exalted, for he dwells on high; he will fill Zion with justice and righteousness, and he will be the stability of your times, abundance of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge; the fear of the LORD is Zion's treasure. (Isaiah 33:2, 5-6)

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us to Worship

†Call to Worship Psalm 22:22-23

I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:
You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him, and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

†Opening Prayer

†Responsive Reading Rev. 1:4-5; Psa. 116

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!

O LORD, I am your servant;

I am your servant, the son of your maidservant. You have loosed my bonds.

I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
And call on the name of the LORD.

I will pay my vows to the LORD

In the presence of all his people,

In the courts of the house of the LORD,

In your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD!

†“All Glory Be to Thee, Most High” #208*

God Assures Us of Forgiveness

Call to Confession

Psalm 32:1-6

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, who is rich in mercy to all those who call upon you; hear us as we come to you humbly confessing our sins, and imploring your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws by our deeds and by our words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before you our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness, and all our failures and shortcomings toward you and toward each other. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; and of your great goodness grant that we may hereafter serve and please you in newness of life; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord; Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

†Psalm 80B

Pastoral Prayer

†Psalm 76

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Old Testament Reading Habakkuk 1:1-2:1

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

New Testament Reading Revelation 6:9-11

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

HABAKKUK 1:5-2:1

SURELY THE WRATH OF MAN WILL PRAISE YOU

- i. The Reality of Judgement
- ii. The Severity of Judgement
- iii. How Long, Oh Lord?

†“Day of Judgment! Day of Wonders!” #387

Offering

1st: General Fund
2nd: Word and Deed

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

EVENING CATECHISM SERVICE

5:00 PM

Prelude and Silent Prayer

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

O LORD, I call upon you; hasten to me! Give ear to my voice when I call to you. Let my prayer be counted as incense before you, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. (Psalm 141:1-2)

Welcome and Announcements

†Call to Worship Psalm 95:1-3
Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

†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 95C

†The Apostles' Creed #560

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 1

1 Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has delivered me from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must

work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

God's Will for Our Lives

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 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 119J

Scripture Reading

1 John 4:1-6

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

1 JOHN 4:1-6

THE SPIRIT SEARCHES ALL

i. Discerning the Spirit

ii. Discerning the Sources

iii. Discerning the End

†“Come, O Come, Thou Quickening Spirit” #391

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!

†“How Firm a Foundation”

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