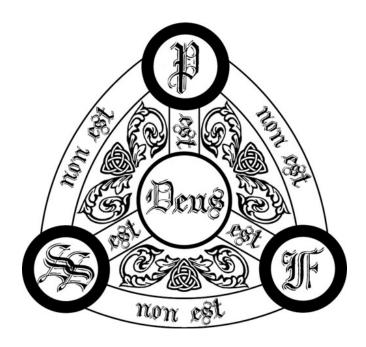
# THE LORD'S DAY

January 16, 2022 Second Sunday after the Epiphany



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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 God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul will be satisfied as with fat and rich food, and my mouth will praise you with joyful lips (Psalm 63:1-5).

Welcome and Announcements

### God Calls Us to Worship

†Call to Worship Isaiah 12:4-6
And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted. Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

†Opening Prayer

†Responsive Reading Rev. 1:4-5; Psa. 57 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!

My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast!

I will sing and make melody!

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;

I will sing praises to you among the nations.

For your steadfast love is great to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!

Let your glory be over all the earth!

†"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

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### God Assures Us of Forgiveness

Call to Confession Matthew 22:35-40 Prayer of Confession (Psalter Hymnal, 1959)

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 always 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 would be 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. Forgive us, as you have promised, and give us new life by the power of your Spirit. We pray in Jesus' name: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Lamentations 3:22-25
The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him.

†Psalm 98A

Pastoral Prayer

†Psalm 138A

### God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Old Testament Reading Leviticus 1
This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 81)

Thanks be to God!

New Testament Reading Romans 12:1-2 This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 947)

Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination Sermon

LEVITICUS 1
THE BURNT OFFERING
EXPOSITION OF LEVITICUS #2

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†"Be Thou My Vision"

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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

1<sup>st</sup>: General Fund 2<sup>nd</sup>: Missions and Mercy 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 \* = the congregation is invited to lift hands (during last stanza); cf. Psa. 63:4, 1 Tim. 2:8

# Invitation to the Lord's Supper

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:

- 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.

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

# EVENING CATECHISM SERVICE 5:00 PM

Prelude and Silent Prayer

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

To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens! Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maidservant to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the LORD our God, till he has mercy upon us. (Psalm 123:1-2)

#### Welcome and Announcements

†Call to Worship Psalm 94:12-15 Blessed is the man whom you discipline, O LORD, and whom you teach out of your law, to give him rest from days of trouble, until a pit is dug for the wicked. For the LORD will not forsake his people; he will not abandon his heritage; for justice will return to the righteous, and all the upright in heart will follow it.

†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 94A

†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-

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 catholic<sup>1</sup> 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 1 Corinthians 13

Pastoral Prayer (The Worship Sourcebook, based on Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. & A. 100-107)

Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be vour name.

We draw near to you with all holy reverence and confidence, coming as children to a father able and ready to help us as we pray together and for others. Enable us and others to glorify you in all that we do as we live and work in the creation that displays your power and mercy,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Catholic" means universal; that is, there is one church across all times, places, and peoples (Belgic Confession, art. 27; Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 54).

and be pleased to dispose all things to your own glory.

### Your kingdom come.

We pray that Satan's kingdom may be destroyed and that the kingdom of grace may be advanced, ourselves and others brought into 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 119O

Scripture Reading 1 Timothy 4:1-5 This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 992)

Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination Sermon

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35 Q. What does it mean that he "was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary"?

A. That the eternal Son of God, who is and remains true and eternal God, took to himself, through the working of the Holy Spirit, from the flesh and blood of the virgin Mary, a true human nature so that he might also become David's true descendant, like his brothers in all things except for sin.

36 Q. How does the holy conception and birth of Christ benefit you?

A. He is our mediator and, in God's sight, he covers with his innocence and perfect holiness my sin, in which I was conceived.

†"This Is My Father's World"

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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!

†"For All the Saints"

#408;1-3, 5, 8

Postlude

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