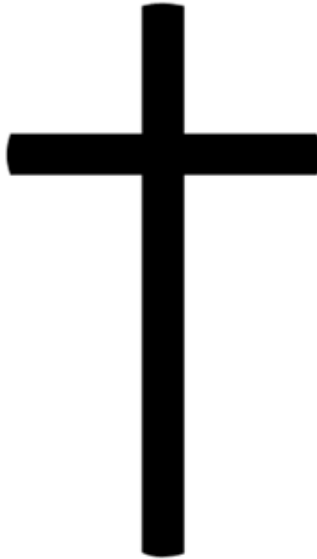


# THE LORD'S DAY

March 5, 2023  
Second Sunday in Lent



**Christ Reformed Church**  
**Rev. Nick Smith, Minister**

12693 Orchard Ave. Nampa, ID 83651 • 208-466-4444  
christreformednampa.org • office@christreformednampa.org  
Morning Worship Service: 10:15 AM • Evening Catechism Service: 5:00 PM

*Member of:*

United Reformed Churches in North America ([www.urna.org](http://www.urna.org))  
North American Presbyterian and Reformed Council ([www.naparc.org](http://www.naparc.org))  
International Council of Reformed Churches ([www.icrconline.com](http://www.icrconline.com))

---

## MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

10:15 AM

---

### Prelude and Silent Prayer

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

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Who was and is and is to come. We, who are unworthy of the least of all your mercies, humbly present ourselves in your court. Enable us, O Lord, by your good Spirit, to attend to the holy duties to which you are calling us, without distraction of mind, and with reverence and godly fear.

### Welcome and Announcements

#### God Calls Us to Worship

†Call to Worship Jude 1:24-25

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

†Opening Prayer

†Responsive Reading Rev. 1:4-5; Psa. 72

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 the king your justice, O God,

**And your righteousness to the royal son!**

May he have dominion from sea to sea,

**And from the River to the ends of the earth!**

May all kings fall down before him,

**All nations serve him!**

May his name endure forever, his fame continue as long as the sun!

**May people be blessed in him, all nations call him blessed!**

†“Praise the Savior Now and Ever” #335\*

#### God Assures Us of Forgiveness

Call to Confession Psalm 15

Prayer of Confession

**Most holy and merciful Father; We acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned: in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. But you, O Lord, have pity upon us who are ashamed and sorry for all the ways in which we have displeased you. Teach us to hate our errors; cleanse us from our secret faults; And forgive our sins for the sake of your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon Malachi 3:16-4:2

Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. “They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him. “For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who fear

my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise  
with healing in its wings. You shall go out  
leaping like calves from the stall.

†Psalm 106A; 1-4, 8

Pastoral Prayer

†Psalm 103E

### God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Old Testament Reading                      Psalm 67  
This is the Word of the Lord.                      (p. 481)  
**Thanks be to God!**

New Testament Reading                      Ephesians 3:14-21  
This is the Word of the Lord.                      (p. 977)  
**Thanks be to God!**

Prayer for Illumination  
Sermon

EPHESIANS 3:14-21  
TO HIM BE GLORY  
EXPOSITION OF EPHESIANS #7

†“Glory Be to God the Father”                      #213

### 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 & 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. 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)*

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 96:1-3

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!

†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 8A

†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

Proverbs 12

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

Pastoral Prayer

*Te Deum*

(attrib. to St. Ambrose of Milan, AD 387)

We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as the Lord;

**All creation worships you, the Father everlasting.**

To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

The glorious company of apostles praise you.

**The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.**

The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

**Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you: Father, of majesty unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all praise, the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.**

You, Christ, are the King of glory, the eternal Son of the Father.

**When you took our flesh to set us free you humbly chose the virgin's womb.**

You overcame the sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

**You are seated at God's right hand in glory.**

We believe that you will come and be our judge.

**Come then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood, and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.**

We pray in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray, saying:

**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 130B

Scripture Reading                      Ephesians 4:25-32  
This is the Word of the Lord.                      (p. 978)  
**Thanks be to God!**

Prayer for Illumination  
Sermon

GIVE GRACE TO THOSE WHO HEAR  
LORD'S DAY 43  
THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

112 Q. What is God's will for you in the ninth commandment?

**A. That I never give false testimony against anyone, twist no one's words, not gossip or slander, nor join in condemning anyone rashly or without a hearing. Rather, I should avoid, under penalty of God's wrath, every kind of lying and deceit as the very works of the devil; and, in court and everywhere else, I should love the truth, speak it candidly, and openly acknowledge it. And I should do what I can to defend and advance my neighbor's honor and reputation.**

†Psalm 119M

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!**

†"All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night"  
#158\*

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