

THE LORD'S DAY

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Eighteenth 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

(Once the prelude begins, 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 Rev. 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.

†“Now Thank We All Our God” #181*

God Assures Us of Forgiveness

Call to Confession 1 John 1:5-10

Prayer of Confession *(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 Micah 7:18-20

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as you have sworn to our fathers from the days of old.

Response of Praise

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 is right, our duty and our joy, always and
everywhere to give thanks to you, Father
Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
**Therefore we praise you, joining our
voices with Angels and Archangels and
with all the company of heaven, who for
ever sing to proclaim the glory of your
Name!**

†Psalm 98A

Profession of Faith
Pastoral Prayer

†Psalm 16A

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Old Testament Reading 1 Chronicles 4:1-23
This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 336)
Thanks be to God!

New Testament Reading Romans 11:25-36
This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 947)
Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination
Sermon Rev. Nick Smith

1 CHRONICLES 4:1-23
NOW THE RECORDS ARE ANCIENT
EXPOSITION OF 1-2 CHRONICLES #4

†“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”
#282

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 1st: General Fund
2nd: Benevolence 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

(Once the prelude begins, please remain silent as the congregation prepares for worship)

Welcome and Announcements

†Call to Worship Psalm 25:1-2, 4-5

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me. Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.

†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 119K

†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 in 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 (unannounced) #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

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.

Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight. (Ps. 51:4)

You shall not make for yourself a carved image... You shall not bow down to them or serve them.

Come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker! (Ps. 95:6)

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.

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. (Ps. 51:15)

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts! ... For a day in your courts is

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).

better than a thousand elsewhere. (Ps. 84:1, 10)

Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD! (Ps. 25:7)

You shall not murder.

Search me, O God, and know my heart! Teach me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting! (Ps. 139:23-24)

You shall not commit adultery.

You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence. (Ps. 90:8)

You shall not steal.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. (Ps. 51:1)

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Put false ways far from me and graciously teach me your law! (Ps. 119:29)

You shall not covet ... anything that is your neighbor's.

Incline my heart to your testimonies, and not to selfish gain! (Ps. 119:36)

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!

Psalms of the Month

†Psalm 3

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 961)

Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Rev. Nick Smith

THE FALL

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THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

6 Q. Did God create man so wicked and perverse?

A. No. God created man good and in his own image, that is, in true righteousness and holiness, so that he might truly know God his creator, love him with all his heart, and live with God in eternal happiness, for his praise and glory.

7 Q. Then where does man's corrupt nature come from?

A. From the fall and disobedience of our first parents, Adam and Eve, in Paradise. This fall has so poisoned our nature that we are all conceived and born in sin.

8 Q. But are we so corrupt that we are totally unable to do any good and inclined toward all evil?

A. Yes, unless we are born again by the Spirit of God.

†Psalm 51C; 1-4

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!

†“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”
(unannounced)

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Postlude