



Morning Worship

THE LORD'S DAY
May 3, 2020

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Call to Worship

Psalm 29:1-2

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

Prayer of Invocation: Great you are, O Lord, and greatly to be praised; great is your power, and your wisdom is infinite. You would we praise without ceasing. You call us to delight in your praise, for you have made us for yourself, and our hearts find no rest until we rest in you; in the name of Jesus Christ, to whom with the Father and the Holy Spirit all glory, praise, and honor be ascribed, both now and forevermore. Amen.

Song of Praise: 230

[“Holy, Holy, Holy!”](#)

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
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Confession of Faith

The Heidelberg Catechism (1563)

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 set me free 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,
assures me of eternal life
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready
from now on to live for him.

Song of Response: 100A:1

[“Shout to the LORD, All Earth”](#)

Shout to the LORD, all earth, and make a joyful noise! With gladness serve the LORD your God; before him lift your voice! Now know the LORD is God. He made us, we are his – his people and his sheep, who safely in his pasture graze.

God’s Will for Our Lives

Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Prayer of Confession: I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. So now I tis no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who did it, but sin that dwells within me. Deliver me from this body of death through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Matthew 11:28-30

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Song of Thanksgiving: 408*"For All the Saints"*

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!
O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia! Alleluia!
O blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!
And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!
The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warrior cometh rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia! Alleluia!
From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Scripture Reading

Philippians 1:27-2:4

Sermon: *"The Gospel Logic of Joyful Unity"*

Our Triune God creates a joyful unity of heart and regard for one another.

1. The Ifs
2. The Thens
3. The Applications

Prayer of Application & Congregational Prayer followed by The Lord's 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!

Song of Application: 133B

“How Good and Pleasant Is the Sight”

How good and pleasant is the sight
when brethren make it their delight
to dwell in blest accord;
such love is like anointing oil
that consecrates for holy toil
the servants of the Lord.

Such love in peace and joy distills
as o’er the slopes of Hermon’s hills
refreshing dew descends;
the Lord commands his blessing there,
and they that walk in love shall share
in life that never ends.

How good and pleasant is the sight
when brethren make it their delight
to dwell in blest accord;
the Lord commands his blessing there,
and they that walk in love shall share
in life that never ends.

Prayer of Blessing: Most Holy Triune God, May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us and your church, now and always. For we come boldly in the name of Jesus, Amen.

Doxology: 571

“Gloria Patri”

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.



Evening Worship

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Psalm 145:1-3

I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless you
and praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,
and his greatness is unsearchable.

Prayer of Invocation: Almighty God, to whom our hearts are open, our desires are known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the gracious power of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Grant us your grace and peace in Christ by your Holy Spirit. For it is in Jesus' name that we pray, Amen.

Song of Response: 145B

["I Will Exalt You, God, My King"](#)

I will exalt you, God, my king; I will forever bless your name.
I will extol you evermore, day after day your praise proclaim.
Great is the LORD and greatly praised, greatness which none can comprehend.
Age unto age will tell your deeds, wonders and mighty acts commend.
Wondrous your works and majesty; I will upon them meditate.
Men shall your awesome deeds confess; I will your greatness celebrate.
People declare your matchless fame; praise for your glories they express;
boundless and great your goodness, LORD; they sing aloud your righteousness.
Praise to the LORD my mouth will speak. Praise to the LORD my lips proclaim.
Let ev'ry creature evermore rise up and bless his holy name.

Sermon:

["Miserable Comforters" Job Series](#)

Prayer of Application: We thank you, merciful God and Father, that you have brought us to know you and your Son by your Spirit and Word and have caused your Word to be proclaimed to us. Grant that we, having received Christ Jesus the Lord, may live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith, as we were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. But since we, through ignorance, unthankfulness, and discontent, do not obey you as we should, we implore you, O Lord, remember your great mercy and have compassion on us. Teach us truly to know our sins, sincerely to repent, and to amend our life. Amen.

Song of Application: 406

“Jesus, with Thy Church Abide”

Jesus, with thy church abide; be her Savior, Lord, and Guide,
while on earth her faith is tried: we beseech thee, hear us.

Keep her life and doctrine pure; grant her patience to endure,
trusting in thy promise sure: we beseech thee, hear us.

May she one in doctrine be, one in truth and charity,
winning all to faith in thee: we beseech thee, hear us.

May she guide the poor and blind, seek the lost until she find,
and the broken-hearted bind: we beseech thee, hear us.

Judge her not for work undone, judge her not for fields unwon,
bless her work in thee begun: we beseech thee, hear us.

Save her love from growing cold, make her watchmen strong and bold,
fence her round, thy peaceful fold: we beseech thee, hear us.

May her lamp of truth be bright, bid her bear aloft its light
through the realms of heathen night: we beseech thee, hear us.

Arm her soldiers with the cross, brave to suffer toil or loss,
counting earthly gain but dross: we beseech thee, hear us.

May she holy triumphs win, overthrow the hosts of sin,
gather all the nations in: we beseech thee, hear us.

Prayer for God’s Blessing: O Lord our God, our compassionate heavenly Father, please bless us and keep us, make Your face to shine upon us and be gracious to us in Christ, and lift up the light of your countenance upon us and give us your peace by Your Holy Spirit who dwells within us. For we ask all these things in Jesus’ name, Amen. (based on Numbers 6:24-26)

Doxology: 571

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

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.