

LORD'S DAY DIVINE WORSHIP

MAY 2, 2021 at 1:00 PM

Religious worship is to be given to God, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; and to Him alone: not to angels, saints, or any other creature: and since the fall, not without a mediator; nor in the mediation of any other but of Christ alone.

—Westminster Confession of Faith 21.2

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements Psalm 113:1-4

Hallelujah YAH! Praise O servants of Yahweh. Praise the name of Yahweh! Blessed be the name of Yahweh from this time forth and forever. From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of Yahweh is to be praised. Yahweh is high above all nations; His glory is above the heavens!

Introit Choir

"St. Elizabeth"

Praise to God immortal praise, For the love that crowns our days: Bounteous source of every joy, Let Thy praise our tongues employ:

God to Thee praises be, For the gifts Thou gavest free.

Flocks that whiten all the plain, Yellow sheaves of whitened grain: Clouds that drop their fattening dews, Suns that temperate warmth diffuse:

God to Thee praises be, For the gifts Thou gavest free. Amen.

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Call to Worship*

1 Peter 1:3-5

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Hymn*

"When Love Came Down"

Invocation*

Scripture Reading*

James 1:5-11

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Preaching of God's Word

"God's Wisdom is Calling Out to You: Take It and Hold It Tightly!"

Proverbs 8:1-11

Psalm* #121C

"Unto the Hills I Lift My Longing Eyes"

Confession of Faith

The Apostles Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places

Preparation for Confession of Sin

Psalm 32:3-4

For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 32:5, 8-11

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin...
I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.
Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding,
which must be curbed with bit and bridle,
or it will not stay near you.
Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.
Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous,

Hymn* #693

and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

"Blessed Assurance"

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Response

Benediction*

"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.

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Blessing*

1 Timothy 6:15-16

...he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

Postlude*