

Order of Worship - Week of August 4th 2019

Call to Worship and Invocation

Leader begins Psalm 100, all respond in **bold**

1 Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! 2 Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

3 Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

5 For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

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Songs of response:

1. O For a Thousand Tongues
2. Jesus What a Friend of Sinners

Confession of Sin

Leader begins by reading the fourth commandment. People confess in **bold**:

8 "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. 9 Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, 10 but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. 11 For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

Creator God,

At the beginning of time you created a day of rest, a sign pointing forward to the eternal rest that we will share with you forever. You now ask your people to set aside one day in seven—to rest and to worship. We thank you for this precious gift.

And yet, we misuse it in so many ways. For some of us it is simply a day to keep religious rules. For others, Sunday is a

day like any other day: a day to catch up on work, to play and recreate with no thought of you.

But Father,

Help us to see this day as yours. Help us to give it to you, even as you gave it to us as a day of rest. We ask this in the name of your Son, amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader reads Matthew 11:28-30 to assure forgiveness:

Jesus says, "28 Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 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. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Songs of response:

1. Nothing but the Blood
2. Solid Rock

Confession of Faith - Westminster Shorter, 58 and 60

Leader asks the questions, and all respond in **bold**

Q58. What does the fourth commandment require?

A58. The fourth commandment requires us to set apart to God the times He has established in His word - specifically one whole day out of every seven as a holy Sabbath to Him.

Q60. How do we keep the Sabbath holy?

A60. We keep the Sabbath holy by resting the whole day from worldly affairs or recreations, even ones that are lawful on other days. Except for necessary works or acts of mercy we should spend all our time publicly and privately worshipping God.

Reading and Discussion God's Word - 2 Corinthians 4:5-6

Leader reads the Word of God to all.

5 For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. 6 For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.