PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Let us stand as the Triune God, God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now calls His Church into His presence to worship Him. I ask you this morning:

Congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ, where does your help come from?

Our help comes from the LORD, Who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 121:1-2

Call to me and I will answer you and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known.

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon His Name; make known His deeds among the peoples! Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; tell of all His wondrous works! Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD and His strength; seek His presence continually

Remember the wondrous works that He has done, His miracles, and the judgments He uttered.

Jeremiah 33:3; Psalm 105:1-5

(End)

Opening Prayer (In Unison)

Please stand, if you are able.

What a heavenly blessing for us again this morning to approach You as the living God; to enter the courts of the Almighty; to come into Your presence for Jesus' sake and based upon His perfect merits. Give us the power of Your Spirit to worship! Help us to forget the world now, and Lord, bring us into the fullness of Your presence to be refreshed, comforted, and blessed.

Give us knowledge of Your goodness. Let us see Jesus again this morning so that we would not be terrified of Your presence. Rather, draw us unto Yourself that we would love and serve You unconditionally forever more. In Jesus Name we pray, amen.

Hymn 2

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

Please stand, if you are able.

Holy God, we praise Thy Name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee; All on earth Thy scepter claim; All in heav'n above adore Thee. Infinite Thy vast domain; Everlasting is Thy reign.

Hark, the glad celestial hymn Angel choirs above are raising; Cherubim and seraphim In unceasing chorus praising; Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: Holy, holy, holy Lord.

Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit: Three we name Thee, While in essence only one; Undivided God we claim Thee, And adoring, bend the knee While we sing our praise to Thee.



GOD CALLS US TO CONFESS, TO REPENT AND TO RECONCILE

God's Commandments

Exodus 20:1-17

We Pray and Confess Our Sin (Prayer led by Pastor)

God's Assurance to His Repentant People

The LORD will rescue his servants; no one who takes refuge in Him will be condemned.

Psalm 34:22

Hymn 347 Red Trinity Hymnal

"I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"

Please stand, if you are able.

I greet thee Who my sure Redeemer art My only trust and Savior of my heart Who pain didst undergo for my poor sake I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take

Thou art the King of mercy and of grace Reigning omnipotent in ev'ry place So come, O King, and our whole being sway Shine on us with the light of Thy pure day

Thou art the Life by which alone we live And all our substance and our strength receive O comfort us in death's approaching hour Strong-hearted then to face it by thy pow'r

Our hope is in no other save in thee Our faith is built upon Thy promise free O grant to us such stronger hope and sure That we can boldly conquer and endure

We Profess Our Faith

Excerpts from the Westminster Confession of Faith (Chapter 1, par.19, 3,4)

Please stand, if you are able.

What more does the Bible teach us about God's Law?

Answer

III. Besides this law, commonly called moral, God was pleased to give to the people of Israel, as a Church under age, ceremonial laws, containing several typical ordinances, partly of worship, prefiguring Christ, His graces, actions, sufferings, and benefits; and partly holding forth various instructions of moral duties, all which ceremonial laws are now abrogated under the New Testament.

Answer

IV. To them also, as a body politic, He gave several judicial laws, which expired together with the State of that people, not obliging any other, now, further than the general equity thereof may require.

Old Testament Scripture Reading

Psalm 49:1-10

We Worship God with Our Tithes and Offerings

Conduct yourselves in fear during the time of your stay on earth, knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ. 1 Peter 1:18-19

Prayer

(Led by a Ruling Elder)

The Doxology

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.

Please stand, if you are able.

New Testament Scripture Reading

I Peter 5:1-5

Pastoral Prayer (Led by Pastor)



"Speak, O Lord"

Please stand, if you are able.

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To receive the food of Your holy word Take Your truth plant it deep in us Shape and fashion us in Your likeness That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us All Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us, Lord, full obedience Holy reverence true humility Test our thoughts and our attitudes In the radiance of Your purity Cause our faith to rise Cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority Words of power that can never fail Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us Truths unchanged from the dawn of time That will echo down through eternity And by grace we'll stand on Your promises And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glory

THE LORD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Scripture Reading Exodus 19:16-25

Sermon

"Holy, Holy, Holy Is Our God" Pastor Theo van Blerk

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND TO HIS WORD

Prayer

Hymn 682

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Please stand, if you are able.

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, Pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand; Bread of Heaven, Bread of Heaven, Feed me till I want no more, Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, Whence the healing stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through; Strong Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer, Be Thou still my strength and shield, Be Thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside; Bear me through the swelling current, Land me safe on Canaan's side; Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to Thee, I will ever give to Thee.

THE LORD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

The Blessing of God's People

Now may the Lord of peace Himself give you peace at all times and in every way; the Lord be with all of you.

2 Thess. 3:16

Leader: "Christ is Risen!" All: "He is Risen Indeed!"