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, on Whom must we focus as we come to worship today?

We must be fixing our eyes on Jesus, the Author and **Perfecter of faith, Who for the joy set before Him,** endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider Him Who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Hebrews 12:2-3

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness!

Come into His presence with singing! 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. Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise! Give thanks to Him; bless His Name!

Psalm 100

Opening Prayer (Led by Pastor)

Please stand, if you are able.

Hymn 210

"Praise to the Lord, The Almighty"

Please stand, if you are able.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, Now to His temple draw near; Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth! Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen How thy desires all have been Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee. Ponder anew What the Almighty can do If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him! Let the "amen" Sound from His people again; Gladly forever adore Him!

GOD CALLS US TO CONFESS, TO REPENT AND TO RECONCILE

God's Commandments

Exodus 20:1-17

We Pray and Confess Our Sin (In Silence)

When I kept silent about my sin, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long. I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I did not hide; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and You forgave the guilt of my sin.

Words of Psalm 32:3,5

(End)

God's Assurance to His Repentant People

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through Whom also we have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we exult in hope of the glory of God.

Romans 5:1-2



"Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me"

Please stand, if you are able.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken For by my side the Savior He will stay <u>I labor on in weakness and rejoicing</u> For in my need His power is displayed To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me Through the deepest valley He will lead Oh, the night has been won and I shall overcome Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread; I know I am forgiven The future sure the price it has been paid For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon And He was raised to overthrow the grave To this I hold my sin has been defeated Jesus now and ever is my plea Oh, the chains are released I can sing I am free Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus For He has said that He will bring me home And day by day I know He will renew me Until I stand with joy before the throne To this I hold my hope is only Jesus All the glory evermore to Him When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat Yet not I but through Christ in me

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We Profess Our Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Please stand, if you are able.

Q. 58. What is required in the fourth commandment?

A. The fourth commandment requires the keeping holy to God such set times as He has appointed in His Word; expressly one whole day in seven, to be a holy Sabbath to Himself.

Q. 59. Which day of the seven has God appointed to be the weekly Sabbath?

A. From the beginning of the world to the resurrection of Christ, God appointed the seventh day of the week to be the weekly Sabbath; and the first day of the week, ever since, to continue to the end of the world, which is the Christian Sabbath.

Old Testament Scripture Reading

Psalm 53

We Worship God with Our Tithes and Offerings

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

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

2 Peter 2:17-22

Pastoral Prayer

(Led by Pastor)

Psalm 87

"City of God"

Please stand, if you are able.

Nowhere can rival the city of God, loveliest, holiest place in His sight: there as on mountains of splendor it stands; there are His people, His lasting delight.

Once we were strangers, but now we draw near, summoned to faith from the ends of the earth; now in the city of God we belong: He has declared it the place of our birth.

Now we are citizens, children and heirs; now in His presence our hearts are at home; our names are even recorded in heaven— Lord, with the music of worship, we come!

THE LORD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Scripture Reading Exodus 20:8-10

Sermon

"This Is the Day the Lord Has Made"(1) Pastor Theo van Blerk

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND TO HIS WORD

Prayer



"O, Church Arise"

Please stand, if you are able.

O church arise and put your armor on Hear the call of Christ our Captain For now the weak can say that they are strong In the strength that God has given With shield of faith and belt of truth We'll stand against the devil's lies An army bold whose battle cry is Love Reaching out to those in darkness

Come see the cross where love and mercy meet As the Son of God is stricken Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet For the Conqueror has risen And as the stone is rolled away And Christ emerges from the grave This victory march continues till the day Every eye and heart shall see Him

So, Spirit, come put strength in every stride Give grace for every hurdle That we may run with faith to win the prize Of a servant good and faithful As saints of old still line the way Retelling triumphs of His grace We hear their calls and hunger for the day When with Christ we stand in glory

THE LORD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

The Blessing of God's People

Now to Him, Who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen. Jude 1:24-25 Leader: "Christ is Risen!" All: "He is Risen Indeed!"