Let us prepare ourselves for worship Prelude

THE LORD CALLS US IN HIS PRESENCE

Let us rise to worship the Triune God, God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit., and declare in the words of Psalm 124:8

People: Our help is in the Name of the LORD, Who made heaven and earth. Amen.

Call to Worship

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.

O God, You are our God; earnestly we seek You; our souls thirst for You; our flesh faints for You, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So we have looked upon You in the sanctuary, beholding Your power and glory, because Your steadfast love is better than life, our lips will praise You.

So we will bless You as long as we live; in Your Name we will lift up our hands.

Our souls will be satisfied as with fat and rich food, and our mouths will praise You with joyful lips! Matthew 11:28–29 Psalm 63:1-5

Opening Prayer †

Psalm of Praise *Psalm 96 Tune: "All Hail the Power"* O sing a new song to the Lord; all earth sing to the Lord. Sing to the Lord, and bless His Name; "He saves!" each day proclaim. His glory to all nations show; His deeds let peoples know.

O families of earth, ascribe all glory to the Lord! All strength ascribe unto the Lord; the glory of His Name Give to the Lord. To His courts come and bring an offering.

In beautiful and holy robes bring worship to the Lord. All earth, before Him stand in awe; proclaim, "The Lord is King!" **Controlled by Him, the world stands firm;** His judgments justice bless.

Let all prepare to greet the Lord, because He coming is. He surely comes to judge the earth. And righteousness is His. He'll nations judge with faithfulness, the world with justice bless.

THE LORD CALLS US TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE AND RECONCILIATION

Scripture Reading

Exodus 20:1-17 Focus on Fourth Commandment

We Confess Our Sin

O Lord, our God, we come before You to confess our sins. **Remember Your mercy, O Lord, and Your** steadfast love, for they have been from of old. **Remember not the sins of our youth or our** transgressions; according to Your steadfast love remember us, for the sake of Your goodness, O Lord!

Teach us Your paths. Make us to know Your ways, O Lord; Teach us Your paths. Lead us in Your truth and teach us, for You are the God of our salvation; for You we wait all the day long. Hear us as we pray, in Jesus Name. Amen Based on Psalm 25

God's Assurance of His Pardon to His People

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ Who is your life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. Colossians 3:1-4

Hymn

"I WIll Sing of My Redeemer" #309

I will sing of my Redeemer and His wondrous love to me; On the cruel cross He suffered from the curse to set me free.

<u>Refrain</u>

Sing, O sing of my Redeemer, with His blood He purchased me. On the cross He sealed my pardon, paid the debt, and made me free.

I will tell the wondrous story how, my lost estate to save, In His boundless love and mercy He the ransom freely gave.

<u>Refrain</u>

Sing, O sing of my Redeemer, with His blood He purchased me. On the cross He sealed my pardon, paid the debt, and made me free.

I will praise my dear Redeemer; His triumphant power I'll tell, How the victory He gives me over sin and death and hell.

<u>Refrain</u>

Sing, O sing of my Redeemer, with His blood He purchased me. On the cross He sealed my pardon, paid the debt, and made me free.

I will sing of my Redeemer; and His heavenly love for me; He from death to life has brought me, Son of God, with Him to be.

<u>Refrain</u>

Sing, O sing of my Redeemer, with His blood He purchased me. On the cross He sealed my pardon, paid the debt, and made me free.

Professing our Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 27. What was Christ's humiliation?

A. Christ's humiliation consisted in His being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

Q. 28. What was Christ's exaltation?

A. Christ's exaltation consists in His rising again from the dead on the third day, in ascending up into heaven, in sitting at the right hand of God the Father, and in coming to judge the world at the last day. 1 Cor. 15:4; Mark 16:19; Eph. 1:20; Acts 1:11; Acts 17:31

Children age PreK-1st Grade are dismissed for Children's Church

We worship God with our Tithes and Offerings

"He who is generous will be blessed, for he gives some of his food to the poor" Proverbs 22:9

"Just A Closer Walk with Thee" #564

I am weak but Thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong. I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to Thee.

<u>Refrain</u>

Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea, Daily walking close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be. Thro' this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my burden shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.

<u>Refrain</u>

Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea, Daily walking close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more; Guide me gently, safely o'er to Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore.

<u>Refrain</u>

Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea, Daily walking close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Prayer for God's Provision

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.

Pastoral Prayer +

THE LORD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Scripture reading

Mark 4:30-32; Luke 13:18-21

Sermon

"Seemingly Insignificant at First, God's Kingdom Grows to Victory"

Pastor Theo van Blerk

Prayer

"Thanks to God Whose Word Was Spoken"

#409 (verses 1 & 2)

Thanks to God Whose Word was spoken, in the deed that made the earth. His voice that called a nation; His the fires that tried her worth. God has spoken, God has spoken; Praise Him for His open Word.

Thanks to God Whose Word incarnate, glorified the flesh of man. **Deeds and words and death and rising tell** the grace in heaven's plan. God has spoken, God has spoken; Praise Him for His open Word.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Elder: David Holmes

Deacon: Frank Davila

THE LORD SENDS US OUT

"Be Thou My Vision" #562

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art -Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee, and Thou with me Lord; Thou my great Father, I Thy true son, Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise; Thou mine inheritance, now and always; Thou and Thou only, be first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art! High King of heaven, my victory won; May I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall; Still be my vision, O Ruler of all!

The Blessing to God's People +

Now may the God of peace, Who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with every good thing to do His will. And may He accomplish in us what is pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. Hebrews 13:20-21

Christ Is Risen.