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

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

He prepares a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

He anoints my head with oil.

One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in His temple. My cup overflows. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord, and all flesh shall bless His holy Name. My praise shall be of Him in the great assembly. Psalm 22, 23, 27

Opening Prayer †

Lord God and our Father in heaven, Let us join with one accord in hymns around Your throne: This is the day our risen Lord has made and called His own. This is the day that You have blessed, the brightest of the seven, Type of that everlasting rest the saints enjoy in heaven. So, let us in Your Name sing on, and hasten to that day

When our Redeemer shall come down and shadows pass away. O Lord, here we are to worship Here we are to bow down Here we are to say that You are our God! Hear our prayers and accept our worship for the sake of Your beloved Son! Amen.

Psalm of Praise *Psalm 117 Tune: "All Creatures of Our God and King"*

From all that dwell below the skies, O let Jehovah's praise arise! Alleluia! Alleluia! And let His glorious Name be sung in ev'ry land, by ev'ry tongue! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Great are the mercies of the LORD, and truth eternal is His Word; Alleluia! Alleluia! Ye nations, sound from shore to shore Jehovah's praise for evermore! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE LORD CALLS US TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE AND RECONCILIATION

Scripture Reading

Exodus 20:1-17 Focus on Fifth Commandment

We Confess Our Sin

God's Assurance of His Pardon to His People

In love He predestined us for adoption to Himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of His will, to the praise of His glorious grace, with which He has blessed us in the Beloved.In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace, which He

lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight. Ephesians 1:5-8

Hymn

"There Is A Redeemer" #308

There is a Redeemer - Jesus, God's own Son; Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

<u>Refrain</u>

Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son, And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, Name above all names; Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Hope for sinners slain. (*Refrain*)

<u>Refrain</u>

Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son, And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

When I stand in Glory, I will see His face; There I'll serve my King forever in that holy place. (*Refrain*)

<u>Refrain</u>

Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son, And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Professing our Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 29. How are we made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ?

A. We are made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ, by the effectual application of it to us by his Holy Spirit.

John 1:11-12; Titus 3:5-6

Q. 30. How does the Spirit apply to us the redemption purchased by Christ?

A. The Spirit applies to us the redemption purchased by Christ, by working faith in us, and thereby uniting us to Christ in our effectual calling. Eph. 1:13-14; John 6:37, 39; Eph. 2:8; Eph. 3:17; 1 Cor. 1:9

Q. 31. What is effectual calling?

A. Effectual calling is the work of God's Spirit,

whereby convincing us of our sin and misery, enlightening our minds in the knowledge of Christ, and renewing our wills, He doth persuade and enable us to embrace Jesus Christ, freely offered to us in the gospel. <u>2 Tim. 1:9; 2 Thess. 2:13-14; Acts 2:37; Acts 26:18;</u> Ezek. 36:26-27; John 6:44-45; Phil. 2:13

Q. 32. What benefits do they that are effectually called partake of in this life?

A. They that are effectually called do in this life partake of justification, adoption, sanctification, and the several benefits which, in this life, do either accompany or flow from them.

<u>Rom. 8:30; Eph. 1:5; 1 Cor. 1:26</u>, <u>30</u>

Old Testament Reading *Proverbs 13:1-13*

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

"O Lord, Our Lord" #175

O Lord, our Lord, we praise You for Your mercy; **O** Lord, our Lord, we praise You for Your love: For every grace Your kindness has provided, To every soul who calls upon Your Name. For every grace Your kindness has provided, To every soul who calls upon Your Name.

O Lord, our Lord, enthroned in highest heaven;

O Lord, our Lord, enthroned in grateful hearts;

Your love extends to every generation With joyful news of Your redemption plan. Your love extends to every generation With joyful news of Your redemption plan.

O Lord, our Lord, we praise You for Your mercy; **O** Lord, our Lord, we praise You for Your love; For every grace Your kindness has provided, To every soul who calls upon Your Name. For every grace Your kindness has provided, To every soul who calls upon Your Name.

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 +

We end with:

Our Father, Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE LORD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Scripture reading

Mark 12:18-34

Sermon

"In, Or Only Close to the Kingdom of Heaven?"

Pastor Theo van Blerk



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"Thanks to God Whose Word Was Spoken"

#409 (verses 3 & 4)

Thanks to God Whose Word was written in the Bible's sacred page, **Record of the revelation showing God to** every age. God has spoken, God has spoken; Praise Him for His open Word.

Thanks to God Whose Word is answered by the Spirit's voice within. Here we drink of joy unmeasured, life redeemed from death and sin. God is speaking, God is speaking, Praise Him for His open Word.

JOINING THE FELLOWSHIP OF GRACE PCA

Terry and Beverly Murdock

THE LORD SENDS US OUT

"My Jesus I Love Thee" #79

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine.

For Thee all the follies of sin I resign.

My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou: If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me

And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree.

I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow;

If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I'll love Thee in life; I will love Thee in death And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath.

And say when the deathdew lies cold on my brow:

"If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."

In mansions of glory and endless delight, I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright. I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow,

"If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."

The Blessing to God's People +

The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance^[2] upon you and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26

Christ Is Risen.