Let us prepare to worship the living God

• *The bullet points indicate when to stand if you are able.*

Prelude

GOD REVEALS HIMSELF AND CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP HIM

Let us rise as the Triune God, God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, calls us to worship Him! As we are gathered as His people let us openly declare:

• Our help is in the Name of the LORD Who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

• Call to Worship

The Lord is King, He is robed in majesty;

The LORD is robed, He is girded with strength. He has established the world; it shall never be moved;

Your throne is established from of old; You are from everlasting.

The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring. More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters, more majestic than the waves of the sea, majestic on high is the Lord!

Your decrees are very sure; holiness befits Your house, O Lord. Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity, now and forever. • Opening Prayer (Led by Pastor)

• Psalm 68

"O, Lord You Have Ascended"

O Lord, You have ascended on high in might to reign; captivity You lead as a captive in Your train. **Rich gifts to You are offered** by those who once rebelled, who pray that now Jehovah, their God, with them may dwell. **Blest be the Lord who daily** our heavy burden bears, the God of our salvation who for His people cares. Our God is near to help us, our God is strong to save; the Lord alone is able to ransom from the grave.

Sing unto God, all nations, all kingdoms of the earth; sing unto God, all people, and praise His matchless worth. He rides in royal triumph upon the skies abroad; He speaks—the mountains tremble before the voice of God.

All glory, might, and honor ascribe to God on high; His arm protects His people who on His arm rely. Forth from Your holy dwelling You send Your mighty voice; You strengthen those who fear You; who in Your works rejoice!

GOD CALLS US TO CONFESS, TO REPENT AND TO RECONCILE

The Ten Commandments *Exodus 20:1-17*

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

God's Assurance to His Repentant People

²¹ For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps, ^{22°} who committed no sin, nor was any deceit found in His mouth; ²³ and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting *Himself* to Him who judges righteously; ²⁴ and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed. 1 Peter 2:21-24

• Hymn #450 "Lift High The Cross"

Refrain

Lift high the cross; the love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world adore His sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,

Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God. [Refrain]

Refrain

Lift high the cross; the love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world adore His sacred name.

Led on their way by this triumphant sign, The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine. *[Refrain]*

Refrain

Lift high the cross; the love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world adore His sacred name.

O Lord, once lifted on the cursed tree, As Thou hast promised, draw men unto Thee. [Refrain]

Refrain

Lift high the cross; the love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world adore His sacred name.

Set up Thy throne, and earth's despair may cease

Beneath the shadow of its healing peace. [Refrain]

Refrain

Lift high the cross; the love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world adore His sacred name.

For Thy-y cross which doth for us atone, Creation's praises rise before Thy throne. [Refrain]

Refrain

Lift high the cross; the love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world adore His sacred name.

• We Profess Our Faith

Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 38. Why was our Mediator called Jesus?

A. Our Mediator was called Jesus, because He saves His people from their sins.

Matt. 1:21.

Q. 42. Why was our Mediator called Christ?

A. Our Mediator was called Christ, because He was anointed with the Holy Ghost above measure; and so set apart, and fully furnished with all authority and ability, to execute the offices of prophet, priest, and king of His Church, in the estate both of His humiliation and exaltation. John 3:34; Ps. 45:7; John 6:27; Matt. 28:18-20; Acts 3:21-22; Luke 4:18, 21; Heb. 5:5-7;

Heb. 4:14-15; Ps. 2:6; Matt. 21:5; Isa. 9:6-7; Phil. 2:8-11.

Q. 43. How doth Christ execute the office of a prophet?

A. Christ executes the office of a prophet, in His revealing to the Church in all ages, by His Spirit and Word, in various ways of administration, the whole will of God, in all things concerning their edification and salvation.

> <u>John 1:18; 1 Pet. 1:10-12; Heb. 1:1-2; John 15:15; Acts 20:32;</u> <u>Eph. 4:11-13; John 20:31</u>.

Old Testament Scripture Reading

Proverbs 30:21-33

Children in PreK—1st Grade are dismissed for Children's Church

We Worship God with Our Tithes and Offerings

"They all wait for Thee, to give them their food in due season. Thou dost give to them, they gather it up; Thou dost open Thy hand, they are satisfied with good."

~ Psalm 104:27-28~

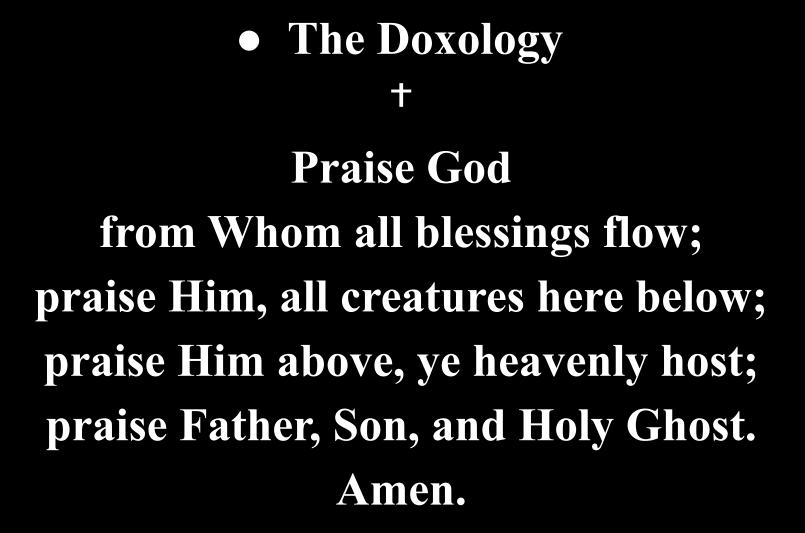
• Hymn #788

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Now thank we all our God With heart and hands and voices, Who wondrous things hath done, In whom His world rejoices; Who, from our mothers' arms Hath blessed us on our way With countless gifts of love, And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us, With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us; And keep us in His grace, And guide us when perplexed, And free us from all ills In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given, The Son, and Him who reigns With them in highest heaven, The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav'n adore; For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.



New Testament Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 1:10-19

Pastoral Prayer

THE LORD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Scripture Reading

1 John 5:1-13 (:13)

Sermon

"Assurance of the Old, Old Story"

Pastor Theo van Blerk

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer

Hymn #774

"When The Role Is Called Up Yonder"

When the trumpet of the Lord shall sound, and time shall be no more,

And the morning breaks, eternal, bright and fair;

When the saved of earth shall gather over on the other shore,

And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

Refrain:

When the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

On that bright and cloudless morning when the dead in Christ shall rise, And the glory of His resurrection share; When His chosen ones shall gather to their home beyond the skies, And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there. [Refrain]

Refrain:

When the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

Let us labor for the Master from the dawn till setting sun;

let us talk of all His wondrous love and care. Then when all of life is over, and our work on earth is done,

And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there. [Refrain]

Refrain:

When the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

THE LORD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

• Prayer for the Blessing of God's People

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

2 Corinthians 13:14

Christ is Risen

He Is Risen, Indeed.