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.

• 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 124:8 | Selected Verses from Psalm 22, 23, 27

• Opening Prayer

• Psalm 113

"Praise the Lord, All You Who Serve Him"

Praise the Lord, all you who serve Him, praise the Lord through all your days, then throughout eternal ages, for the Lord deserves your praise! **Praise the Lord in every language,** every nation, clan, and tribe; everywhere the sunlight touches may His name be glorified!

Praise the Lord's majestic greatness; no one can compare with Him! Sov'reign over earth and heaven we proclaim His matchless name! Yes He condescends to help us, showing mercy to His own, lifting high the poor and needy, giving barren ones a home!

Praise the Savior Who is worthy, humble Lamb for sinners slain. By His blood He sealed our pardon, so we glorify His name! **People drawn from every nation** bow before the sov'reign Lord; praise and service let us render to our King forevermore!

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

But when the kindness of God our Savior and His love for mankind appeared, He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to *the* hope of eternal life. **Titus 3:4-7**

• Hymn #316 "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down; Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, Thine only crown. How pale Thou art with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn; How does that visage languish which once was bright as morn!

What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners' gain:

Mine, mine was the transgression, but Thine the deadly pain.

Lo, here I fall, my Savior; 'Tis I deserve Thy place.

Look on me with Thy favor; Assist me with

Thy grace.

What language shall I borrow to thank Thee, dearest Friend,

For this, Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end?

O make me Thine forever; And, should I fainting be,

Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to Thee.

• We Profess Our Faith

Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 36. Who is the Mediator of the covenant of grace?

A. The only Mediator of the covenant of grace is the Lord Jesus Christ, Who, being the eternal Son of God, of one substance and equal with the Father, in the fullness of time became man, and so was and continues to be God and man, in two entire distinct natures, and one person, forever. <u>1 Tim. 2:5; John 1:1, 14; John 10:30; Phil. 2:6; Gal. 4:4;</u> Luke 1:35; Rom. 9:5; Col.2:9; Heb. 7:24-25.

Q. 37. How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?

A. Christ the Son of God became man, by taking to Himself a true body, and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost in the womb of the Virgin Mary, of her substance, and born of her, yet without sin. John 1:14; Matt. 26:38; Luke 1:27, 31, 35, 42; Gal. 4:4; <u>Heb. 4:15; Heb. 7:26</u>.

Old Testament Scripture Reading

Isaiah 53:3-7

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

We Worship God with Our Tithes and Offerings

"There is one who scatters, and yet increases" all the more, and there is one who withholds what is justly due, and yet it results only in want. The generous man will be prosperous, and he who waters will himself be watered." ~ Proverbs 11:24-25~

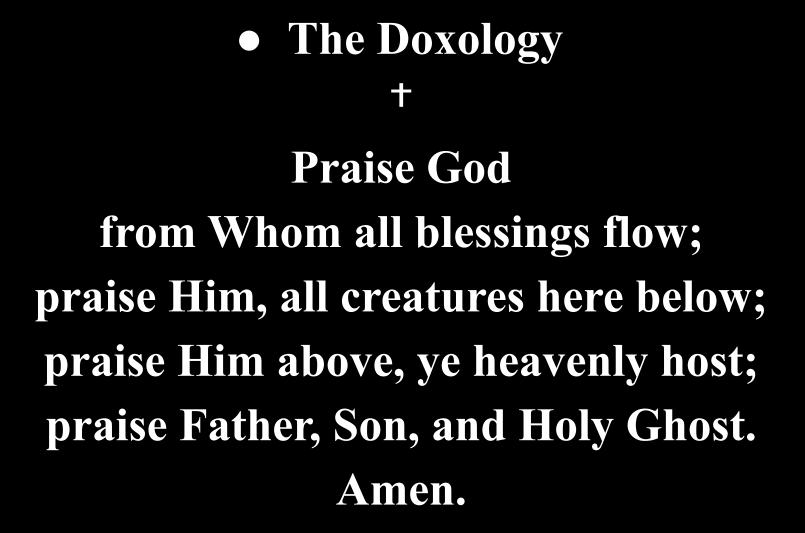
• Hymn #682

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

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.



New Testament Scripture Reading Hebrews 13:15-25



THE LORD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Scripture Reading

1 John 5:1-5

Sermon

"Born of God, or not?"

Pastor Theo van Blerk

THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Fencing of the Table

Prayer

The Words of Institution

The Administration of the Lord's Supper

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD & SACRAMENT



SPECIAL OFFERING

Mercy Ministry

Prayer

Hymn

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

How deep the Father's love for us How vast beyond all measure That He should give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure How great the pain of searing loss The Father turns His face away As wounds which mar the Chosen One **Bring many sons to glory**

Behold the Man upon a cross My sin upon His shoulders Ashamed I hear my mocking voice **Call out among the scoffers** It was my sin that held Him there Until it was accomplished His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything No gifts no pow'r no wisdom **But I will boast in Jesus Christ** His death and resurrection Why should I gain from His reward I cannot give an answer But this I know with all my heart His wounds have paid my ransom

THE LORD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

• Prayer for the Blessing of God's People

Now may the God of peace, Who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, 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. | Hebrews 13:20-21

Christ is Risen

He Is Risen, Indeed.