### 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 I ask you this morning, Congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ, from where does your help come?

Our help comes from the LORD Who made heaven and earth. God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Psalm 121:1-2, Psalm 46:1

Shout joyfully to God, all the earth;

Sing the glory of His name; Make His praise glorious.

Say to God, "How awesome are Thy works!"

All the earth will worship Thee, and will sing praises to Thy Name.

Come and see the works of God, Who is awesome in His deeds towards the sons of men.

Bless our God, O peoples, and sound His praise abroad, Who keeps us in life and does not allow our feet to slip.

Psalm 66:1-5,8,9

# • Opening Prayer

(Led by Pastor)

"Praise the Lord, All You Who Serve Him"

• Psalm 113

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

# God's Commandments

Exodus 20:1-17

# We Pray and Confess Our Sin (Prayer led by Pastor)

# God's Assurance to His Repentant People

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.... In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that He lavished on us.

Ephesians 1:3, 7-8a

# •Sing "Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

Wonderful, merciful Savior Precious Redeemer and Friend Who would have thought that a Lamb Could rescue the souls of men Oh, You rescue the souls of men

# [Chorus]

You are the One that we praise You are the One we adore You give the healing and grace Our hearts always hunger for Oh, our hearts always hunger for

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper Spirit we long to embrace You offer hope when our hearts Have hopelessly lost the way Oh, we hopelessly lost the way [Chorus]

# [Chorus]

You are the One that we praise You are the One we adore You give the healing and grace Our hearts always hunger for Oh, our hearts always hunger for

Almighty, infinite Father Faithfully loving Your own Here in our weakness You find us Falling before Your throne Oh, we're falling before Your throne [Chorus]

# [Chorus]

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### We Profess Our Faith

### Westminster Larger Catechism

# Q. 57. What benefits has Christ procured by His mediation?

A. Christ by His mediation has procured redemption, with all other benefits of the covenant of grace.

Heb. 9:12; 2 Cor. 1:20.

# Q. 58 How do we come to be made partakers of the benefits which Christ has procured?

A. We are made partakers of the benefits which Christ has procured by the application of them unto us, which is the work especially of God the Holy Spirit.

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

# Q. 59. Who are made partakers of redemption through Christ?

A. Redemption is certainly applied, and effectually communicated, to all those for whom Christ has purchased it; who are in time by the Holy Spirit enabled to believe in Christ according to the gospel.

> Eph. 1:13-14; John 6:37, 39; John 10:15-16; Eph. 2:8; 2 Cor. 4:13.

### **Old Testament Scripture Reading**

Psalm 7:1-7

# have the option to take their children to Children's Church

Parents of Children in PreK-1st Grade

# We Worship God with Our Tithes and Offerings

Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.

Proverbs 3:9-10

# • Prayer for God's Provision

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.

# New Testament Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 6:1-8

# **Pastoral Prayer**

Led by Pastor

#### Psalm 84

"In Your Presence"

Lord, I dearly love Your presence more than words can ever tell; how I yearn to see the beauty of the courts in which You dwell. Even sparrows there find refuge; there the swallow rears her young; what a joy to have a home there, where unending praise is sung.

Happy are the pilgrim people pressing on to greater things, finding water in the wasteland, making it a place of springs; on they go with mounting vigor till they stand before Your throne; God of Jacob, guard Your servants; make Your lasting kindness known.

In the hearts of all the faithful, grace and glory are revealed lavish gifts You give so freely, mighty Lord, our Sun and Shield. Better humble, godly service than a home where sin holds sway; better one day in Your presence than a thousand far away.

# THE LORD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

# **Scripture Reading**

3 John

#### Sermon

"Harmful Agendas in God's Church"

Pastor Theo van Blerk

### GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer

#### **Hymn 401**

#### "The Church's One Foundation"

The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord; She is His new creation By water and the Word: From heav'n He came and sought her To be His holy bride; With His own blood He bought her And for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, Yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation: One Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food; And to one hope she presses, With every grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation And tumult of her war, She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore; Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest, And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth has union With God, the Three in One, And mystic, sweet communion With those whose rest is won; O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we Like them, the meek and lowly, On high may dwell with Thee.

#### THE LORD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

# • The Blessing of God's People

Grace to you and peace, from Him Who is and Who was and Who is to come, and from the seven Spirits Who are before His throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. Revelation 1:4-5

# Chrust is Risen

He Is Risen, Indeed!