

# Family Worship Guide Sunday, September 6, 2020

# **Opening Scripture**: Psalm 66:1-4

- <sup>1</sup> Shout for joy to God, all the earth;
- <sup>2</sup> sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!
- <sup>3</sup> Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
  So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.
- <sup>4</sup> All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name."

# Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

## Psalm of Praise: I Was Filled with Joy and Gladness – TPH #122A

## Reading of the Law of God: Exodus 20:1-3

<sup>1</sup> And God spoke all these words, saying, <sup>2</sup> "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. <sup>3</sup> "You shall have no other gods before me.

## Confession of Sin: Psalm 130

- <sup>1</sup> Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!
- 2 O LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!
- 3 If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O LORD, who could stand?
- 4 But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.
- 5 I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;
- 6 my soul waits for the LORD more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.
- 7 O Israel, hope in the LORD!For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.
- 8 And he will redeem Israel

from all his iniquities.

#### Assurance of Grace and Pardon: Titus 3:4-7

<sup>4</sup> But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, <sup>5</sup> he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, <sup>6</sup> whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup> so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Supplication

## First Reading of God's Word: Romans 8:14-17

<sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" <sup>16</sup> The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

#### Psalm of Preparation: The Lord's My Light – TPH #27A

#### Second Reading of God's Word: 1 John 5:13-20

<sup>13</sup> I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. <sup>14</sup> And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. <sup>15</sup> And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

<sup>16</sup> If anyone sees his brother committing a sin not leading to death, he shall ask, and God will give him life—to those who commit sins that do not lead to death. There is sin that leads to death; I do not say that one should pray for that. <sup>17</sup> All wrongdoing is sin, but there is sin that does not lead to death.

<sup>18</sup> We know that everyone who has been born of God does not keep on sinning, but he who was born of God protects him, and the evil one does not touch him.

<sup>19</sup> We know that we are from God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one.

<sup>20</sup> And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.

#### Preaching of God's Word: "Assurance and Its Fruits"

**Point:** Every Christian may be assured that they have Christ, and in him, eternal life. This assurance is a Godcentered confidence that's lived out in our lives.

#### **Outline:**

- 1. The Grace of Assurance
  - a. Assurance belongs to all believers.
  - b. Assurance should be pursued by all believers.
  - c. Assurance is a God-centered confidence.
- 2. The Fruits of Assurance
  - a. Confidence in prayer
  - b. Concern for wayward believers
  - c. Protection from sin and Satan
  - d. Growth in the grace and knowledge of Christ

Hymn of Response: Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting – TPH #479

## Closing Scripture: Romans 16:25-27

25 Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages 26 but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith— 27 to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.