

The Lord's Service

January 26, 2020

**Standing together is our ordinary practice,
but you are welcome to remain seated.*

Prelude

Instrumental Ensemble

*Song of Praise and Greeting

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive
the food of Your Holy Word.

Take Your truth; plant it deep in us;
shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.

Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity.

Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.

Words of pow'r that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us;
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.

And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.

Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

(2005 Thankyou Music)

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us

In silent meditation, let us prepare to meet God in worship.

*Call to Worship

1 Chronicles 29.10-13

LEADER: Therefore David blessed the Lord in the presence of all the assembly. And David said: “Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever.”

PEOPLE: **Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours.**

LEADER: Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all.

PEOPLE: **Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all.**

LEADER: In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all.

PEOPLE: **And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.**

*Hymn

No. 101

Come, Thou Almighty King

*Invocation

Elder Jason Coffey

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Proverbs 3.7

LEADER: Be not wise in your own eyes;

PEOPLE: **Fear the Lord, and turn away from evil.**

*Whether seated or kneeling,
let us approach the Lord together with a posture of reverence.*

Call to Worship

We are called into worship by God Himself. He sets the terms for worship because He makes worship possible through Jesus Christ.

Invocation

This prayer addresses God in three persons, asking Him to be present with us in worship to help us worship Him according to His will.

Call to Confession

As we see God in His invitation and our praise, we cannot help but see how we have fallen short of His glory. God’s Holy Scripture has the authority to reveal us to ourselves and transition our hearts to confession.

**Corporate
Confession of Sin**

We sin in thought, word, and deed every week. Our prayer includes time not only for individual silent confession, but also confession that unites our voices as a body of people equally and desperately in need of God's grace.

Corporate Confession of Sin (in unison)

**Most holy and merciful Father,
we confess to You that we have sinned against You
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved You with our whole heart
and mind and strength;
we have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves;
we have not always had in us the mind of Christ.
You alone know how often we have grieved You
by wasting Your gifts,
by wandering from Your ways,
by forgetting Your love.
Forgive us, we pray, most merciful Father,
and free us from our sin.
Renew in us the grace and strength
of Your Holy Spirit,
for the sake of Jesus Christ Your Son, our Savior.
Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

God's Holy Scripture reminds us not only of who we are as sinners, but also assures us of who we are as Christians united to Jesus in His death and resurrection.

Assurance of Pardon

Hebrews 9.13-14

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:
“For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.”

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

*Hymn

Glory Be to God the Father

Coronae, 87.87.47

J=115

1. Glo-ry be to God the Fa-ther! Glo - ry be to God the Son! Glo-ry be to
 2. Glo-ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from all sin and stain! Glo-ry be to
 3. Glo-ry to the King of an-gels! Glo - ry to the Church-'s King! Glo-ry to the
 4. Glo-ry, bless-ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of an - gels sings, Hon-or, rich-es,

God the Spir - it! God Al - might - y, Three in One! Glo - ry, glo - ry,
 Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry, glo - ry,
 King of na - tions! Heaven and earth, your prais-es bring: Glo - ry, glo - ry,
 power, do - min - ion! Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings; Glo - ry, glo - ry,

While e - ter - nal a - ges run!
 To the Lamb that once was slain!
 To the King of Glo - ry sing!
 Glo-ry to the King of kings!

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1866; alt. 2005

Tune: William Henry Monk, 1871

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Elder Mike Walker

Amos 5.4-15 (p. 767)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Scripture Lesson

We hear and read Holy Scripture throughout the service. This lesson, or reading, helps prepare us for the Scripture lesson that will be preached from later.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The tithe is our regular, worshipful setting apart of a portion of our resources for the purpose of God, while an offering is an additional portion we return to God for His glory. Both are a display of our joyful dependence upon God rather than our money.

Choral Worship

For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth, over and around us lies:
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

For the beauty of each hour, of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light:
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild:
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

For each perfect gift of Thine to our race so freely given,
Graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven:
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

(Rutter, 1980 Hinshaw Music)

Doxology

A *doxology* is a hymn or word of praise to God for His goodness and glory. The *Gloria Patri* is another example of a doxology.

Prayer of the Church

We share in our health and sickness, happiness and sorrow, assurance and doubt, as we bring our prayers to God, together. Holy Scripture commands pastors to pray with and for God's people, not just in corporate worship, but privately, as well.

Scripture Lesson

We hear and read Holy Scripture throughout the service, but this lesson, or reading, prepares us for the sermon text.

Sermon

A preacher is commanded to faithfully steward God's Holy Scripture by submitting to it, studying it, and expositing it (holding it forth), bearing witness to Jesus, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

*Doxology

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. (2x)

And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"

Let the poor say, "I am rich,"

Because of what the Lord has done for us. (2x)

Give thanks.

(1978 Henry Smith Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

*Prayer of the Church

Pastor Mullinax

*Hymn

No. 604

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Scripture Lesson

Romans 12.9-13 (p. 948)

Sermon

Pastor Jones

LIFE IN THE ORDINARY

*Hymn

No. 355

We Are God's People

*Confession of Faith (in unison)

Heidelberg Catechism 27, 28

LEADER: What do you understand by the providence of God?

PEOPLE: Providence is the almighty and ever present power of God by which He upholds, as with His hand, heaven and earth and all creatures and so rules them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty - all things, in fact, come to us not by chance but from His fatherly hand.

LEADER: How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?

PEOPLE: We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing will separate us from His love. All creatures are so completely in His hand that without His will they can neither move nor be moved.

*Gloria Patri

No. 735

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.

God Commissions Us

*Benediction

Pastor Jones

Postlude

Evangeline Wykoff and Alayne Griffin

Confession of Faith

By confessing our faith together using statements believed by Christians over the ages, we join in the sweep of Christian history even as we await the return of Jesus.

Benediction

Just as God calls us to worship at the beginning of the service with Holy Scripture, He sends us into our week with a Holy Scripture reminder (*a good word*) of the blessing of Christ, by God's grace, through the indwelling Spirit.