

The Lord's Service

November 10, 2019

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

Prelude

Alayne Griffin and Evangeline Wykoff

*Song of Praise and Greeting

Great is the Lord

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just;
By His power we trust in His love.
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true;
By His mercy He proves He is love.

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory!
Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice:
Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

Great are You, Lord, and worthy of glory!
Great are You, Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great are You, Lord, I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:
Great are You, Lord! Great are You, Lord!

(1982 Meadowgreen Music)

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us

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

*Call to Worship

Psalm 66.1-4

LEADER: Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

PEOPLE: **Sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!**

LEADER: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you."

PEOPLE: **All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name.**

*Hymn

No. 55

To God Be the Glory

*Invocation

Elder Adam Sanders

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Leviticus 19.18

LEADER: You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people,

PEOPLE: **But you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.**

*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.

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.

Corporate Confession of Sin (in unison)

**Almighty God,
we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned
against You in thought, word, and deed;
we have not loved You with all our heart,
soul, mind, and strength;
we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.
Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have
done, and the good we have left undone.
Lord, You are full of compassion and gracious,
slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy;
there is always forgiveness with You!
Restore to us the joy of Your salvation;
bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds,
strength to our wills, and rest to our souls.
Speak to each of us, and let Your word abide with us
until it has wrought in us Your holy will,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 103.8-13

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:
“The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.”

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Elder Jim Hildebrand

Numbers 15.13-21 (p. 123)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Choral Worship

And Can It Be

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me who caused His pain? For me who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that thou my God, shouldst die for me?

He left His Father's throne above, so free, so infinite His grace;
Emptied Himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race;
'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me.

No condemnation now I dread, Jesus and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne, and claim the crown through Christ my own.
Amazing love, how can it be that thou my God shouldst die for me?

Amazing love!

(Forrest, 2014, Beckenhorst Press)

*Doxology

No. 733

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below: alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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.

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.

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.

*Prayer of the Church

Pastor Mullinax

*Hymn

No. 80

Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee

Scripture Lesson

Romans 11.16-24 (p. 947)

Sermon

Pastor Jones

INTERCONNECTED

*Hymn

No. 37

All That I Am I Owe to Thee

*Confession of Faith (in unison)

Westminster Confession of Faith, 5.1

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe about God?

God - the great Creator of all things - upholds, directs, disposes, and governs all things, from the greatest even to the least. He exercises this most wise and holy providence according to His infallible foreknowledge and the free and unchangeable counsel of His own will, to the praise of the glory of His wisdom, power, justice, goodness, and mercy.

*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

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.