

ORDER OF SERVICE—MORNING WORSHIP

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP: MEDITATION AND SILENT PRAYER, 15 MINUTES PRIOR TO WORSHIP SERVICE.

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

NEHEMIAH 12.42B-43

And the singers sang loud, with Jezrahiah *their* overseer. ⁴³ Also that day they offered great sacrifices, and rejoiced: for God had made them rejoice with great joy: the wives also and the children rejoiced: so that the joy of Jerusalem was heard even afar off.

**INVOCATION

PRAYER FOR THE WORSHIP SERVICE

**THE PRAISE OF GOD'S PEOPLE: THE SINGING OF PSALMS

PSALM 42.6-11 (P90)

**THE RECITATION OF GOD'S LAW: EXODUS 20.1-17 (READ IN UNISON BY ALL)

¹ And God spake all these words, saying, ² I *am* the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. ³ Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

⁴ Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of *any thing* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth: ⁵ Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God *am* a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth *generation* of them that hate me; ⁶ And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

⁷ Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

⁸ Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹ Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: ¹⁰ But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates: ¹¹ For *in* six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them *is*, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

¹² Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

¹³ Thou shalt not kill.

¹⁴ Thou shalt not commit adultery.

¹⁵ Thou shalt not steal.

¹⁶ Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

¹⁷ Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that *is* thy neighbour's.

**THE CONFESSION OF GOD'S PEOPLE:

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

THE LORD'S PROCLAMATION OF FORGIVENESS

NEHEMIAH 8.9B-10

...the Levites that taught the people, said unto all the people, This day *is* holy unto the LORD your God; mourn not, nor weep. For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the law. ¹⁰ Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for *this* day *is* holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE, NEW TESTAMENT:

1 CORINTHIANS CHAPTER 7

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

MATTHEW 6.9-13

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE, OLD TESTAMENT

NUMBERS CHAPTER 23

**THE PRAISE OF GOD'S PEOPLE: THE SINGING OF PSALMS

PSALM 79.1-8 (P170)

CHRIST'S INSTRUCTION TO HIS PEOPLE: THE PREACHED WORD

IF THE SALT LOSES ITS SAVOR—WHAT THEN?

MATTHEW 5.13-16

THE COVENANT MEAL OF CHRIST'S PEOPLE: THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

**THE PRAISE OF GOD'S PEOPLE: THE SINGING OF PSALMS

PSALM 60.1-12 (P122)

**CLOSING PRAYER

**BENEDICTION AND DISMISSAL

** Indicates Congregation Standing

ORDER OF SERVICE—EVENING WORSHIP

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GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECITATION OF THE LARGER CATECHISM OF THE WESTMINSTER ASSEMBLY: QUESTION # 72

CALL TO WORSHIP

JOB 5.8-9

I would seek unto God, and unto God would I commit my cause: ⁹ Which doeth great things and unsearchable; marvellous things without number:

**INVOCATION:

PRAYER FOR THE WORSHIP SERVICE

**THE PRAISE OF GOD'S PEOPLE: THE SINGING OF PSALMS

PSALM 43.1-5 (P91)

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE, NEW TESTAMENT:

1 CORINTHIANS CHAPTER 8

**THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE-MAKING SUPPLICATION TO GOD FOR THINGS AGREEABLE TO HIS WILL

PLEASE MAKE YOUR REQUESTS KNOWN TO THE PASTOR BEFORE THE SERVICE FOR PUBLIC PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE, OLD TESTAMENT

NUMBERS CHAPTER 24

**THE PRAISE OF GOD'S PEOPLE: THE SINGING OF PSALMS

PSALM 139.1-10 (P313)

CHRIST'S INSTRUCTION TO HIS PEOPLE: THE PREACHED WORD

WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH CHAPTER 2.1: THE DOCTRINE OF GOD

THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD-PROPER, GOD'S IMMENSITY

1 KINGS 8.23-30

**THE PRAISE OF GOD'S PEOPLE: THE SINGING OF PSALMS

PSALM 113.1-9 (P253)

**CLOSING PRAYER

**BENEDICTION AND DISMISSAL

QUESTION # 72: WHAT IS JUSTIFYING FAITH?

ANSWER:

JUSTIFYING FAITH IS A SAVING GRACE,^A WROUGHT IN THE HEART OF A SINNER BY THE SPIRIT^B AND WORD OF GOD,^C WHEREBY HE, BEING CONVINCED OF HIS SIN AND MISERY, AND OF THE DISABILITY IN HIMSELF AND ALL OTHER CREATURES TO RECOVER HIM OUT OF HIS LOST CONDITION,^D NOT ONLY ASSENTETH TO THE TRUTH OF THE PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL,^E BUT RECEIVETH AND RESTETH UPON CHRIST AND HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS, THEREIN HELD FORTH, FOR PARDON OF SIN,^F AND FOR THE ACCEPTING AND ACCOUNTING OF HIS PERSON RIGHTEOUS IN THE SIGHT OF GOD FOR SALVATION.^G

A. HEB. 10:39. **B.** 2 COR. 4:13; EPH. 1:17–19. **C.** ROM. 10:14, 17. **D.** ACTS 2:37; ACTS 16:30; JOHN 16:8–9; ROM. 5:6; EPH. 2:1; ACTS 4:12. **E.** EPH. 1:13. **F.** JOHN 1:12; ACTS 16:31, 10:43. **G.** PHIL. 3:9; ACTS 15:11.

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