

Let us prepare ourselves for worship

Prelude

THE LORD CALLS US

Let us rise to worship the Triune God, God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. I ask you: Congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ, “From where does your help come?”

People:

“Our help comes from the LORD, Who made heaven and earth,” Amen!

Call to Worship

Oh, sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done
marvelous things!

**His right hand and His holy arm have worked
salvation for Him.**

The Lord has made known His salvation;

He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of
the nations.

**He has remembered His steadfast love and
faithfulness to the house of Israel.**

**All the ends of the earth have seen the
salvation of our God.**

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;

break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

He will judge the world with righteousness,

and the peoples with equity.

Psalm 98:1-4, 9

Opening Prayer



Almighty God and our Father in heaven,

**We rejoice in this day You have set aside for
Your church**

to come in Your presence and worship You.

**Your dwelling places, Lord of hosts, how
beautiful they are to us.**

**Your courts are our soul's desire, we are
yearning for them eagerly.**

Lord, we are all poverty and all guilt. And we have nothing of our own with which to repay You for Your goodness and grace.

Yet, we stand before You in the Name of Your own beloved Son, Jesus Christ, and plead that for His sake His righteousness will offset our iniquities, and satisfy Your justice.

**Bless us this day by revealing to us more of
Your saving merits. Let us see and hear
your goodness and as You speak truth to us,
may we be strengthened once more until
that day that we will be with You forever!**

We pray in the powerful Name of Jesus.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty #3

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to
Thee.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the
glassy sea.**

**Cherubim and seraphim falling down before
Thee,**

Which wert, and art, and evermore shall be.

**Holy, holy, holy! Tho' the darkness hide
Thee,
Tho' the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not
see.**

**Only Thou are holy—there is none beside
Thee,**

Perfect in pow'r, in love, in purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name in
earth, and sky, and sea.

Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

THE LORD CONVICTS US OF OUR SIN

Scripture reading

Exodus 20:1-17

We Confess Our Sin

God's Assurance to His People

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His Word is not in us.

1 John 1:8-10

Hymn

“Near The Cross” #319

**Jesus, keep me near the cross - There a
precious fountain,
Free to all, a healing stream, flows from
Calv'ry's mountain.**

Chorus

*In the cross in the cross, be my glory ever,
Till with peace my soul shall find rest beyond
the river.*

**Near the cross a trembling soul, love and
mercy found me;**

**There the Bright and Morning Star sheds its
beams around me. (*Chorus*)**

Chorus

*In the cross in the cross, be my glory ever,
Till with peace my soul shall find rest beyond
the river.*

**Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its
scenes before me;**

**Help me walk from day to day with its
shadows o'er me. (*Chorus*)**

Chorus

*In the cross in the cross, be my glory ever,
Till with peace my soul shall find rest beyond
the river.*

**Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hoping
trusting ever,
Till I reach the golden strand, just beyond the
river. (Chorus)**

Chorus

*In the cross in the cross, be my glory ever,
Till with peace my soul shall find rest beyond
the river.*

Professing our Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism

**Q. 17. Into what estate did the fall bring
mankind?**

A. The Fall brought mankind into an estate of sin and misery. Rom. 5:12.

Q. 18. Wherein consists the sinfulness of that estate into which man fell?

A. The sinfulness of that estate into which man fell, consists in the guilt of: Adam's first sin, the lack of original righteousness, and the corruption of his whole nature, which is commonly called original sin; together with all actual transgressions which proceed from it.

Rom. 5:12, 19; Rom. 5:10-20; Eph. 2:1-3; Jas. 1:14-15; Matt. 15:19.

**Q. 19. What is the misery of that estate into
which man fell?**

**All mankind, by their fall, lost communion
with God, are under His
wrath and curse, and so made liable
to all miseries in this life, to
death itself, and to the pains of hell
for ever.**

Gen. 3:8, 10, 24; Eph. 2:2-3; Gal. 3:10; Lam.
3:39; Rom. 6:23; Matt. 25:41, 46.

**Q. 20. Did God leave all mankind to perish
in the estate of sin and misery?**

**God having, out of His mere good pleasure,
from all eternity,
elected some to everlasting life,
did enter into a covenant of grace,
to deliver them out of the estate
of sin and misery, and to bring
them into an estate of salvation by a
Redeemer.**

Eph. 1:4; Rom. 3:20-22; Gal. 3:21-22.

New Testament reading
1 Corinthians 11:23-34

*Children age PreK-1st Grade
are dismissed for Children's Church*

We worship God with our Tithes and Offerings

“Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house. And thereby put Me to the test,” says the Lord of hosts, “if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.” ~ Malachi 3:10

“Just As I Am” #488

**Just as I am, without one plea
But that Thy Blood was shed for me,
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!**

**Just as I am, and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,
To Thee Whose Blood can cleanse each
spot,
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!**

**Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fighting and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!**

**Just as I am - Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve.
Because Thy Promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!**

Prayer for God's Provision



**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.
Amen.**

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Pastoral Prayer



THE LORD SPEAKS TO US

Scripture reading

Matthew 13:24-30 & 36-43



Sermon

**“Expect Evil Enmity against
God’s Growing Kingdom”**

Pastor Theo van Blerk

**THE ADMINISTRATION OF
THE LORD'S SUPPER**

We Share The Bread

**THE ADMINISTRATION OF
THE LORD'S SUPPER**

We Share The Cup

**COLLECTION OF
MERCY MINISTRIES & PRAYER**

THE LORD SENDS US OUT

“Victory In Jesus” #353

**I heard an old, old story,
how a Savior came from glory.
How He gave His life on Calvary to save a
wretch like me.**

**I heard about His groaning,
of His precious blood's atoning,
Then I repented of my sins and won the
victory.**

Chorus

O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever!

*He sought me and bo't me with His
redeeming blood.*

*He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my
love is due Him.*

*He plunged me to victory beneath the
cleansing flood.*

**I heard about His healing.
of His cleansing pow'r revealing,
How He made the lame to walk again and
caused the blind to see.
And then I cried “Dear Jesus, come and heal
my broken spirit,”
And somehow Jesus came and bro' to me the
victory. *(Chorus)***

Chorus

O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever!

*He sought me and bo't me with His
redeeming blood.*

*He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my
love is due Him.*

*He plunged me to victory beneath the
cleansing flood.*

**I heard about a mansion He has built for
me in glory,**

**And I heard about the streets of gold
beyond the crystal sea;**

**About the angels singing, and the old
redemption story;**

**And some sweet day I'll sing up there the
song of victory. (*Chorus*)**

Chorus

O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever!

*He sought me and bo't me with His
redeeming blood.*

*He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my
love is due Him.*

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cleansing flood.*

The Blessing to God's People



Now may the God of peace, Who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with every good thing to do His will. And may He accomplish in us what is pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hebrews 13:20-21

Christ Is Risen!