

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

There will be silence before Thee, and praise in
Zion, O God;

**And to Thee vows will be performed.
O Thou Who dost hear prayer, to Thee all
men come.**

Iniquities prevail against me; As for our transgressions, Thou dost forgive them.

How blessed is the one whom Thou dost choose, and bring near to Thee, to dwell in Thy courts! We shall be satisfied with the goodness of Thy house, Thy holy temple!

Psalm 65:1-4

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



Psalm of Praise

Psalm 92

Tune: “Brethren, We Have Come to Worship”

**It is good to sing Your praises and to thank
You, O Most High, showing forth Your
lovingkindness when the morning lights the
sky.**

**It is good when night is falling of Your
faithfulness to tell,
while with sweet, melodious praises, songs of
adoration swell.**

**You have filled our hearts with gladness at
the works Your hands have wrought;
You have made our lives victorious; great
Your works and deep Your thoughts.
You, O Lord, on high exalted, reign
forevermore in might;
all Your enemies shall perish, sin be banished
from Your sight.**

**But the good shall live before You, planted in
Your dwelling place,
fruitful trees and ever verdant, nourished by
Your boundless grace.**

**In His goodness to the righteous, God His
righteousness displays;
God our Rock, our Strength and Refuge, just
and true are all Your ways!**

THE LORD CONVICTS US OF OUR SIN

Scripture Reading

Exodus 20:1-17

Focus on Second Commandment

We Confess Our Sin

Our Father and our God,

We are so convicted by Your commandments.

We realize once again how we fail You and grieve Your Holy Spirit with our sins. We plead that You would continue to reveal our sins to us. May it fill us with shame and sorrow for our rebellion against You.

Father, help us to not ignore the severity of our sins.

We confess our willful heart that wants to serve You according to our own standards instead of Your standards.

We confess that we were poor testimonies to the world this past week.

We hurt many with our lovelessness and selfishness.

Help us never to hesitate to confess our sins.

**Lead us to realize once again today how much
we need a Savior.**

**Would You lead us to true repentance and
true obedience day by day.**

**Would You lead us back to Your high
standards.**

**Let us desire only what You desire and only do
what You want us to do.**

**Grant us grace to grow more and more in
Your likeness and image, through Jesus
Christ, the Light of the world.**

In His Name we pray. Amen.

God's Assurance to His People

**He saved us, not on the basis of deeds,
which we have done in righteousness, but
according to His mercy, by the washing of
regeneration, and renewing by the Holy
Spirit, Who He poured out upon us richly
through Jesus Christ our Savior...**

Titus 3: 5-6

Hymn

“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed?” #306

**Alas! and did my Savior bleed and did my
Sov'reign die?**

**Would He devote that Sacred Head for
sinners such as I?**

**Was it for sins that I have done He suffered
on the tree?**

**Amazing pity! grace unknown! And love
beyond degree!**

**Well might the sun in darkness hide and shut
His glories in,
When Christ, the great Redeemer died for
man the creature's sin.**

**But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of
love I owe:**

**Here, Lord, I give myself away- 'Tis all that I
can do.**

Professing our Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism

**Q. 21. Who is the Redeemer of God's
elect?**

**A. The only Redeemer of God's elect is
the Lord Jesus Christ, Who,
being the eternal Son of God
became man, and so was, and
continues to be, God and man, in
two distinct natures, and one
person, forever.**

1 Tim. 2:5-6; John 1:14; Gal. 4:4; Rom. 9:5; Luke 1:35; Col. 2:9; Heb. 7:24-25.

**Q. 22. How did Christ, being the Son of
God, become man?**

A. Christ, the Son of God, became man, by taking to Himself a true body and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the Virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.

Heb. 2:14, 16; Heb. 10:5; Matt. 26:38; Luke 1:27, 31, 35, 42; Gal. 4:4; Heb. 4:15; Heb. 7:26.

**Q. 23. What offices doth Christ execute as
our Redeemer?**

A. Christ, as our Redeemer, executes the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in His estate of humiliation and exaltation.

*Acts 3:21-22; Heb. 12:25 with 2 Cor. 13:3; Heb. 5:5-7; 7:25;
Ps. 2:6; Isa. 9:6-7; Matt. 21:5; Ps. 2:8-11.*

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 12:15-28

*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

“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”

**Blessed Jesus, at Your Word, we are
gathered all to hear You;
Let our hearts and souls be stirred now to
seek and love and fear You,
By Your teachings, sweet and holy, drawn
from earth to love You solely.**

**All our knowledge, sense, and sight lie in
deepest darkness shrouded,
till Your Spirit breaks our night with Your
beams of truth unclouded.**

**You alone to God can win us; You must
work all good within us.**

**Glorious Lord, Yourself impart; Light of
light, from God proceeding;
open now our ears and heart, help us by Your
Spirit's pleading;
Hear the cry Your people raises, hear and
bless our prayers and praises.**

**Father, Son and Holy Ghost, praise to You
and adoration!**

**Grant that we Your Word may trust and
obtain true consolation,**

**While we here below must wander, till we
sing Your praises yonder.**

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 13:47-51



Sermon

“Our Dragnet Mission”

Pastor Theo van Blerk

THE LORD SENDS US OUT

“Day of Judgement! Day of Wonders!”

(Tune: Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

**Day of judgment! Day of wonders! Hark!
the trumpet's awful sound,
louder than a thousand thunders, shakes the
vast creation round.**

**How the summons, how the summons, will
the sinner's heart confound!**

**See the Judge, our nature wearing,
clothed in majesty divine;
You who long for His appearing then
shall say, “This God is mine!”
Gracious Savior, Gracious Savior, own
me in that day as Thine.**

**At His call the dead awaken, rise to life from
earth and sea;**

**All the pow'rs of nature shaken by His looks,
prepare to flee.**

**Careless sinner, careless sinner, what will
then become of thee?**

**But to those who have confessed, loved
and served the Lord below,
He will say, “Come near, you blessed, see
the kingdom I bestow;
You forever, you forever, shall My love
and glory know.”**

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!