

# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

*We cross the threshold of the secular to the sacred,  
From the common to the uncommon, from the profane to the holy...*

THE SEVENTEENTH DAY OF OCTOBER, TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY ONE

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INTROIT PIANIST

WELCOME

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

\*CALL TO WORSHIP PSALM 28:1-2

To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me, lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit. Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help, when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.

\*HYMN PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN No. 76

\*INVOCATION

\*TESTIMONY OF OUR FAITH HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

**Question 108 What does the seventh commandment teach us?**

That all uncleanness is accursed of God: and that therefore we must with all our hearts detest the same, and live chastely and temperately, whether in holy wedlock, or in single life.

**Question 109 Does God forbid in this commandment, only adultery, and such like gross sins?**

Since both our body and soul are temples of the Holy Ghost, He commands us to preserve them pure and holy: therefore, he forbids all unchaste actions, gestures, words, thoughts, desires, and whatever can entice men thereto.

\*GLORIA PATRI No. 735

CONFESSION OF SIN & SUPPLICATION FOR GRACE

Almighty Father, You are the source of every good and perfect gift. We praise Your name for the greatest and most perfect gift: Your son, our Lord Jesus Christ. But in lifting Him up, we humble ourselves before You. We confess to You, not only our sins of omission in failing to do what we know is right, but also our sins of commission in doing what You

forbid. O Lord, we are weak and feeble, slow to confess our sins and prone to wander from the path of righteousness. Do not deal with us as our sins deserve but wash us clean in the blood of the Lamb and empower us by Your Spirit to live to honor and serve our Savior King. We praise You that He was born like us that we might become like Him.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 JOHN 1:6-7

If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

RESPONSE PRAYERFULLY JESUS PAID IT ALL NO. 308

RECEIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

READING OF GOD'S WORD FROM THE FIRST TESTAMENT 2 SAMUEL 18:19-33

READING OF GOD'S WORD FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT 1 PETER 3:8-22

\*SINGING PSALMS PSALM 67B PSALTER  
*(Tune: The Church's One Foundation)*

SCRIPTURE EPHESIANS 2:1-7

SERMON "The Riches of Christ" REV. G. MARK JAMES

HYMN OF PREPARATION MAN OF SORROWS! WHAT A NAME vv. 1-3 NO. 246

<sup>1</sup>SERVICE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

\*CLOSING HYMN MAN OF SORROWS! WHAT A NAME vv. 4-5 NO. 246

\*BENEDICTION & THREEFOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

<sup>1</sup> Please note the red cups in the center contain wine and the clear cups along the outside contain juice.



# Vespers Service

6:00 pm

The Prelude

The Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 75:1

We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your name is near. We recount your wondrous deeds.

Prayer of Invocation

\*Opening Hymn

How Firm a Foundation

No. 94

The Evening Prayer

Evening Study

Pastor Mark

The Closing Hymn

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

No. 386

God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you: God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again: 'neath his wings protecting hide you, daily manna still provide you: God be with you till we meet again.

The Benediction & Postlude

The worship of the Triune God is the believer's most important duty. We are told in John 4:23-24 that God the Father is seeking those who will worship Him in spirit and truth. As you prepare for this worship service, purpose to be a participant, not a spectator. Join in the praise of the congregational singing (even if the song is unfamiliar); pray with the minister adding your "Amen" (signifying your agreement with the petition, confession of sin, or adoration); and carefully listen to God speaking through the preaching of His Word. May our Sovereign Lord receive glory today as you actively worship Him.

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