

January 19, 2025 At Home Bulletin

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lord, send out your Light and your truth; let them lead us; let them bring us to your holy hill and to your dwelling!

Then we will go to the altar of God,
to God, our exceeding joy,
and we will praise Him with the lyre,
O God, our God.

adapted from Psalm 43:3-4

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

Holy, Holy, Holy!

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! All the saints adore thee, Casting down their golden crowns around a glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, Who wert, and art, and evermore shall be.

Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see; Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
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Psalm 100Tune: Doxology

GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

You shall not commit adultery. Exodus 20:14

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Yet, we have closed our eyes to the light of your Word. We have claimed sight that we do not possess and we have stumbled in our arrogance. Forgive us for thinking our ways superior to your law

The Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, But we have not trusted in the King of Kings, the Creator of all.

Forgive us for trusting ourselves instead of You. **Forgive us for disobedience**

which displays a delight in ourselves instead of a delight in you, O Lord, the author and perfecter of our salvation.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 8:2-4

For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Who were we?

For there is no distinction:
for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned—every one—to his own way.

Who are we?

For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek;

for the same Lord is Lord of all,

bestowing his riches on all who call on him.

For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free,

there is no male and female, for we are all one in Christ Jesus. And if we are Christ's, then we are Abraham's offspring,

heirs according to promise.

Who will we be?

Behold! I tell you a mystery.

We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.

For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.

And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man.

He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.

He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

Adapted from Is 53; Rom 3; 10; I Cor 15; Rev 21

CHILDREN'S SERMON

RECEPTION OF OFFERINGS

PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SONG OF PREPARATION

Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow'rful hand; Bread of heaven feed me now and evermore; bread of heaven feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing waters flow; let the fiery cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong deliv'rer be thou still my strength and shield, strong deliv'rer be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side; Songs of praises I will ever give to thee, songs of praises I will ever give to thee. Text: William Williams, 1717-1791; Tune: Jeremy Casella

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 16:14-18

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The Lord, Loyalty, and Law"

Pastor Ian Hard

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

Gloria Patri

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.

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CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

If you are following along at home, please refrain from taking Communion as it is a form of worship meant to be celebrated in the physical presence of the body of Christ.

MERCY OFFERING

HYMN OF SENDING

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word! What more can he say than to you he has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; for I am your God, and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be with you, your troubles to bless, and sanctify to you your deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply; the flame shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

"E'en down to old age all my people shall prove my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love; and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

Text: Rippon's Selection of Hymns, 1787; alt.; mod. Tune: FOUNDATION, Traditional American Melody

BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: The Lord, Loyalty, and Law