



**Sovereign Grace  
Reformed**  
Presbyterian Church (OPC)

# Family Worship Guide

## Sunday, October 25, 2020

**Opening Scripture:** Revelation 5:13b

<sup>13</sup> To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb  
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn of Praise:** God Himself Is with Us, TPH #164

**Reading of the Law of God:** Exodus 20:15

<sup>15</sup> You shall not steal.

**Confession of Sin:** Psalm 62

<sup>1</sup> For God alone my soul waits in silence;  
from him comes my salvation.

<sup>2</sup> **He alone is my rock and my salvation,  
my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.**

<sup>3</sup> How long will all of you attack a man to batter him,  
like a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

<sup>4</sup> They only plan to thrust him down from his high position.  
**They take pleasure in falsehood.  
They bless with their mouths,  
but inwardly they curse.**

<sup>5</sup> For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,  
for my hope is from him.

<sup>6</sup> **He only is my rock and my salvation,  
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.**

<sup>7</sup> On God rests my salvation and my glory;  
my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

<sup>8</sup> **Trust in him at all times, O people;  
pour out your heart before him;  
God is a refuge for us.**

<sup>9</sup> Those of low estate are but a breath;

those of high estate are a delusion;  
in the balances they go up;  
they are together lighter than a breath.

<sup>10</sup> **Put no trust in extortion;  
set no vain hopes on robbery;  
if riches increase, set not your heart on them.**

<sup>11</sup> Once God has spoken;  
twice have I heard this:  
that power belongs to God,  
<sup>12</sup> **and that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.  
For you will render to a man  
according to his work.**

**Assurance of Grace and Pardon:** Psalm 32:1–5

<sup>1</sup> Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered.  
<sup>2</sup> Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity,  
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.  
<sup>3</sup> For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away  
through my groaning all day long.  
<sup>4</sup> For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;  
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.  
<sup>5</sup> I acknowledged my sin to you,  
and I did not cover my iniquity;  
I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,”  
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

**Gloria Patri:** TPH #572

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and every shall be.  
World without end. Amen. Amen.

**Prayer of Thanksgiving and Supplication:** Use the Prayer Sheet as you pray with and for each other.

**First Reading of God's Word:** Joshua 1:1–11

<sup>1</sup> After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, the LORD said to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, <sup>2</sup> “Moses my servant is dead. Now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the people of Israel. <sup>3</sup> Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, just as I promised to Moses. <sup>4</sup> From the wilderness and this Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites to the Great Sea toward the going down of the sun shall be your territory. <sup>5</sup> No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life. Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you. <sup>6</sup> Be strong and courageous, for you shall cause this people to inherit the land that I swore to their fathers to give them. <sup>7</sup> Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do

according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go. <sup>8</sup> This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. <sup>9</sup> Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”

<sup>10</sup> And Joshua commanded the officers of the people, <sup>11</sup> “Pass through the midst of the camp and command the people, ‘Prepare your provisions, for within three days you are to pass over this Jordan to go in to take possession of the land that the LORD your God is giving you to possess.’”

### **Psalm of Preparation:** I Lift My Eyes Up to the Hills, TPH #121A

### **Second Reading of God’s Word:** Acts 18:1–17

<sup>1</sup> After this Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. <sup>2</sup> And he found a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had commanded all the Jews to leave Rome. And he went to see them, <sup>3</sup> and because he was of the same trade he stayed with them and worked, for they were tentmakers by trade. <sup>4</sup> And he reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, and tried to persuade Jews and Greeks.

<sup>5</sup> When Silas and Timothy arrived from Macedonia, Paul was occupied with the word, testifying to the Jews that the Christ was Jesus. <sup>6</sup> And when they opposed and reviled him, he shook out his garments and said to them, “Your blood be on your own heads! I am innocent. From now on I will go to the Gentiles.” <sup>7</sup> And he left there and went to the house of a man named Titius Justus, a worshiper of God. His house was next door to the synagogue. <sup>8</sup> Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue, believed in the Lord, together with his entire household. And many of the Corinthians hearing Paul believed and were baptized. <sup>9</sup> And the Lord said to Paul one night in a vision, “Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent, <sup>10</sup> for I am with you, and no one will attack you to harm you, for I have many in this city who are my people.” <sup>11</sup> And he stayed a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

<sup>12</sup> But when Gallio was proconsul of Achaia, the Jews made a united attack on Paul and brought him before the tribunal, <sup>13</sup> saying, “This man is persuading people to worship God contrary to the law.” <sup>14</sup> But when Paul was about to open his mouth, Gallio said to the Jews, “If it were a matter of wrongdoing or vicious crime, O Jews, I would have reason to accept your complaint. <sup>15</sup> But since it is a matter of questions about words and names and your own law, see to it yourselves. I refuse to be a judge of these things.” <sup>16</sup> And he drove them from the tribunal. <sup>17</sup> And they all seized Sosthenes, the ruler of the synagogue, and beat him in front of the tribunal. But Gallio paid no attention to any of this.

### **Preaching of God’s Word:** Courageous in Corinth, Acts 18:1–17

**Point:** As Christians, we ought to live faithfully and courageously as citizens of Heaven in a crooked and often godless world.

**Outline:** How to live as faithful Christians in a crooked world:

1. Value Christian Friendship (vv. 1–5a)
2. Be Occupied with the Word (vv. 5–8)
3. Persevere through Christ-given Courage (vv. 9–11)
4. Trust in God’s Work of Providence (vv. 12–17)

**Hymn of Response:** Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners, TPH #456

**Closing Scripture:** 2 Corinthians 13:14

<sup>14</sup> The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
Amen.