

*Let us prepare to worship the living God*

- *The bullet points indicate when to stand if you are able.*

# Prelude

**GOD REVEALS HIMSELF AND  
CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP HIM**

Let us rise as the Triune God, God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, calls us to worship Him.

As we are gathered as His people I ask you this morning, Congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ, from where does your help come?

**Our help comes from the LORD Who made heaven and earth. God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.** *Psalm 121:1-2*  
*, Psalm 46:1*

Sing to the LORD, all the earth; proclaim His salvation day after day. Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples.

**For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; He is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.**

Splendor and majesty are before Him; strength  
and joy are in His dwelling place.

Ascribe to the LORD, all you families of nations,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

**Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His Name;  
bring an offering and come before Him!  
Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness;**

**tremble before Him, all the earth; yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.**

**Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, and let them say among the nations,  
“The LORD reigns!”**

*1 Chronicles 16:23-31*

- **Opening Prayer**  
*(Led by Pastor)*



- **Hymn #151**

*“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”*

**A mighty fortress is our God,  
A bulwark never failing;  
Our helper He amid the flood  
Of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe  
Doth seek to work us woe —  
His craft and pow'r are great,  
And armed with cruel hate,  
On earth is not his equal.**

**Did we in our own strength confide,  
Our striving would be losing,  
Were not the right man on our side,  
The man of God's own choosing.**

**Dost ask who that may be?**

**Christ Jesus, it is He —  
Lord Sabaoth His Name,  
From age to age the same,  
And He must win the battle.**

**And tho' this world with devils filled,  
Should threaten to undo us,  
We will not fear, for God hath willed  
His truth to triumph thro' us.  
The prince of darkness grim,  
We tremble not for him —  
His rage we can endure,  
For lo, his doom is sure:  
One little word shall fell him.**

**That word above all earthly pow'rs,  
No thanks to them, abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours  
Thro' Him Who with us sideth.  
Let goods and kindred go,  
This mortal life also —  
The body they may kill;  
God's truth abideth still:  
His kingdom is forever.**

**GOD CALLS US TO CONFESS ,  
TO REPENT AND TO RECONCILE**

# God's Commandments

*Exodus 20:1-17*

**We Pray and Confess Our Sin**  
*(Prayer in Unison)*



**Our Father in Heaven, You have promised us  
that if we confess our sins,  
You are faithful and just to forgive us our sins  
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.  
For if we do sin, we have an Advocate before  
Your throne, Jesus Christ the Righteous,  
and He is the propitiation for our sins.**

**Give us Your pardon by Your mercies,  
dear Father, for You have clothed us in the  
righteousness of Christ.**

**Would You continue to transform us through  
Your Holy Spirit into the image of Your Son,  
more and more.**

**In His Name we pray. Amen**

# God's Assurance to His Repentant People

And although you were formerly alienated and hostile in mind, engaged in evil deeds, yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death, in order to present you before

Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach— if indeed you continue in the faith firmly established and steadfast, and not moved away from the hope of the gospel that you have heard.... *Colossians 1:21-23*

• Sing  
*“In Christ Alone”*

**In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my all in all  
Here in the love of Christ I stand**

**In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live**

**There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ**

**No guilt in life no fear in death**

**This is the power of Christ in me**

**From life's first cry to final breath**

**Jesus commands my destiny**

**No power of hell no scheme of man**

**Can ever pluck me from His hand**

**Till He returns or calls me home**

**Here in the power of Christ I'll stand**



- **We Profess Our Faith**

*Westminster Larger Catechism*

Q. 55. How does Christ make intercession?

**A. Christ makes intercession, by His appearing in our nature continually before the Father in heaven, in the merit of His obedience and sacrifice on earth, declaring His will to have it applied to all believers;**

**answering all accusations against them, and  
procuring for them quiet of conscience,  
notwithstanding daily failings, access with  
boldness to the throne of grace, and  
acceptance of their persons and services.**

*Heb. 9:12, 24; Heb. 1:3; John 3:16; John 17:9, 20, 24; Rom. 8:33-34;  
Rom. 5:1-2; 1 John 2:1-2; Heb. 4:16; Eph. 1:6; 1 Pet. 2:5.*

# Old Testament Scripture Reading

*Psalm 5*

*Parents of Children in PreK—1st Grade  
have the option to take their children to  
Children's Church*

# **We Worship God with Our Tithes and Offerings**

Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

*~ 2 Corinthians 9:7~*

- **Prayer for God's Provision**

*Ruling Elder*





● **The Doxology**

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**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.**

# New Testament Scripture Reading

*1 Corinthians 4:9-21*

# **Pastoral Prayer**

*Led by Pastor*

**Psalm 119:105-112**

*“Your Word, a Light Unto My Path”*

**Your word, a light unto my path,**

**A lamp unto my feet.**

**My soul has sworn, and will confirm**

**Your righteous ways to keep.**

**In my affliction, give me life  
According to Your word;  
Accept the offer of my praise,  
And teach Your law, O Lord.**

**This world brings danger to my soul,  
Yet I uphold Your way.  
The wicked lay a snare for me;  
I shall not go astray.**

**Your promise, my inheritance;  
With joy, my heart ascends!  
I set my heart to keep Your word  
From now until the end.**



**THE LORD SPEAKS TO US  
THROUGH HIS WORD**

# Scripture Reading

*2 John*

# **Sermon**

*“Be On Guard for the Deceivers”*

*Pastor Theo van Blerk*

**GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND  
TO GOD'S WORD**

*Prayer*

# Hymn #724

*“Lead On, O King Eternal”*

**Lead on, O King Eternal,  
The day of march has come;  
Henceforth in fields of conquest  
Thy tents shall be our home.  
Thro' days of preparation  
Thy grace has made us strong;  
And now, O King Eternal,  
We lift our battle song.**

**Lead on, O King Eternal,  
Till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
And holiness shall whisper  
The sweet amen of peace;  
For not with swords' loud clashing,  
Nor roll of stirring drums,  
With deeds of love and mercy  
The heav'nly kingdom comes.**

Lead on, O King Eternal,  
We follow, not with fears;  
For gladness breaks like morning  
Where'er Thy face appears.  
Thy cross is lifted o'er us;  
We journey in its light.  
The crown awaits the conquest;  
Lead on, O God of might.



**THE LORD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT**

- **The Blessing of God's People**

Grace, mercy and peace be with us from God the Father and from Jesus Christ the Father's Son, in truth and love. Amen

*2 John 1:3*

Christ is Risen

He Is Risen, Indeed!