

THE ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION
AND PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD ON

The Lord’s Day, August 17, 2014

The Christian Year: the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM Morning Service

“Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man. It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes. The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.” Psalm 104:1, 9, 14
[Please observe silence when the prelude begins.]

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Voluntary for Silent Prayer

*Call to Worship Psalm 145:1-2, 18, 21

Minister: I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name forever and ever!

People: Every day I will praise you and extol your name forever and ever!

Minister: The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.

People: My mouth will speak in praise of the LORD. Let every creature praise his holy name forever and ever

Unison: Come, let us sing and praise our God!

*Hymn of Adoration No. 455
And Can It Be That I Should Gain
(v. 3 a cappella)

*Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Prayer
Almighty God, my Lord, and King of heaven and earth: for this day I give you thanks. By Your grace set me free from the bondage of my sins and give me the liberty of that abundant life which You have made known to me in Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. Direct and sanctify, set right and govern my heart and my body, my sentiments, my words and my actions, in conformity with Your law, that I may be enabled to attain salvation and deliverance in time and eternity, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, No. 56

Minister: Christian, what do you believe concerning the forgiveness of sins?

People: I believe that God, because of Christ’s atonement, will never hold against me any of my sins nor my sinful

nature which I need to struggle against all my life. Rather, in His grace God grants me the righteousness of Christ to free me forever from judgment.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Hymn No. 4, v. 2
What God’s almighty pow’r hath made
His gracious mercy keepeth.
By morning dawn or evening shade
His watchful eye ne’er sleepeth.
Within the Kingdom of His might,
Lo, all is just and all is right.
To God all praise and glory!

Psalter Reading (responsive reading, p. 833) Psalm 130

Hymn of Approach SH 10
How Deep The Father’s Love For Us

The Prayers of Intercession

Unison: Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace and for the hope of glory. Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of Thy truth and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.

I ask your prayers for God’s people throughout the world; for our denomination; for this church; and for all ministers and missionaries. Pray for the Church.

Lord hear our prayers.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the bereaved, the burdened and for the widows, orphans and prisoners. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Lord hear our prayers.

I ask your prayers for those who do not know Christ and for those who seek a deeper knowledge of Him, especially for family, friends and neighbors. And give us wisdom and grace as we seek to minister to them.

Lord hear our prayers.

I ask your prayers for our children and future generations which will be born to them. Pray that the knowledge of the Lord will fill the earth through them.

Lord hear our prayers.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Lord hear our prayers.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, Who art in heaven: Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy 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 Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

Words of Assurance

Minister: O LORD, you hear the desire of the afflicted; you will strengthen their heart; you will incline your ear to do justice to the fatherless and the oppressed, so that man who is of the earth may strike terror no more. Psalm 10:17-18

People: Bless the LORD, O, my soul and all that is within me bless His Holy name!

*Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 662
As The Hart Longs

Worship of God Through Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology No. 731
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

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

*Reading of The Holy Scriptures Romans 14:1-12

*The Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Rev. Mike Malone
“LOVE IN PRACTICE”

*Hymn of Response No. 30
Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

*The Benediction

Postlude

*Denotes congregational standing, if able.

6:00 p.m. Evening Gathering
Hebrews 11