

THE ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION AND PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD ON

The Lord’s Day, October 26, 2014

The Christian Year: the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Reformation Sunday

10:30 AM Morning Service

“Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!
Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all
your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,...who satisfies you with good so
that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.” Psalm 103:1-3, 5
[Please observe silence when the prelude begins.]

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Voluntary for Silent Prayer

*Call to Worship	Psalm 46
Minister:	God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble;
People:	Therefore, we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea.
Minister:	“Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”
People:	The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.
Unison:	Come, let us sing and praise our God!
*Hymn of Adoration	No. 92 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

*Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Prayer
O Lord, we are not worthy to have a glimpse of heaven, and unable with works to redeem ourselves from sin, death, the devil, and hell. For this we rejoice, praise and thank you, O God, for without price and out of pure grace you have granted us this boundless blessing in your dear Son through whom you take sin, death, and hell from us, and give to us all that belongs to him. Amen.

*Affirmation of FaithTHE WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH, CH. 1

Our natural understanding and the works of creation and providence so clearly show God’s goodness, wisdom, and power that human beings have no excuse. However, these means alone cannot provide that knowledge of God and of His will which is necessary for salvation. Therefore it pleased the Lord at different times and in various ways to reveal Himself

and to declare that this revelation contains His will for His church. The Bible speaks authoritatively and so deserves to be believed and obeyed. This authority does not depend on the testimony of any man or church but completely on God, its author, Who is Himself truth. The Bible therefore is to be accepted as true, because it is the word of God. Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri	No. 735
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, Amen.	
Psalter Reading (responsive reading, p. 802)	Psalm 46
*Hymn of Praise	No. 168 I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art

Prayers of the People
(You are encouraged to offer silent prayers after each petition.)

O Lord, hear us as we pray:
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Acknowledging Lord, that your name is majestic in all the earth, we pray that you would, by your grace:
Enable us to know you, worship you, and glorify you; and with our lips offer you the praise due your name; and with our lives offer you the obedience worthy of your name.
O Lord, hear us as we pray:
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Acknowledging that we live in a fallen world, we pray that you would, by your grace:
Destroy the kingdom of Satan; remove from our society all that dishonors you; and build your beloved Church in obedience to your will.
O Lord, hear us as we pray:
Give us this day our daily bread.

Acknowledging that all we have is a gift from you, beginning with our salvation, and that you have promised fatherly provision for your true children, we pray that you would, by your grace:
Grant to us from this earth’s goods what is necessary for life and godliness, with contentment, and hear our prayers for the needs of our family and friends.

O Lord, hear us as we pray:
Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
Acknowledging that we are all by nature guilty sinners, and that we could never repay the debt, we pray that you would, by your grace:
Pardon all our trespasses and sins, grant us the assurance of your forgiveness and love, and enable us to forgive others from our hearts.

O Lord, hear us as we pray:
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Acknowledging that the world, our flesh, and the devil are ready to draw us from you, and that in our weakness we are susceptible to every temptation, we pray that you would, by your grace:

Help us watch and pray that we do not enter into temptation, quicken our hearts that we may seek first your righteousness, and restore to us the joy of our salvation.
O Lord, hear us as we pray:
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.
Acknowledging that you alone are eternally sovereign, powerful and glorious, we pray that you would, by your grace:
Receive our requests, as we offer them, with thanksgiving, in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Pastoral Prayer

Words of Encouragement

Minister: I waited patiently for the Lord; He inclined to me and heard my cry. He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord. Psalm 40:1-3

Unison: Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

*Hymn of PreparationSH 11
Speak, O Lord

Worship of God Through Tithes and Offerings

*DoxologyNo. 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 ScripturesEphesians 1:3-10

*The Prayer for Illumination

SermonRev. Mike Aitcheson
“FULLY BLESSED IN CHRIST”

*Hymn of ResponseNo. 98
Now Thank We All Our God

*The Benediction

Postlude
*Denotes congregational standing, if able.

6:00 PM Evening Bible Study

Next Sunday we return to standard time. Remember to set your clocks back one hour!