

THE ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION
AND PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD ON

The Lord’s Day, May 17, 2015

The Christian Year: The Seventh Sunday of Easter,
The Sunday of the Ascension

10:30 AM Morning Service

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in
Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places” Ephesians 1:3

[Please observe silence when the prelude begins.]
Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Voluntary for Silent Prayer

*Call to WorshipPsalm 96:1-4

Minister: Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD all the earth!

People: Sing to the LORD, bless His name; tell of His salvation from day to day.

Minister: Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples!

People: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods.

Unison: Come! Let us give praise to the Lord!

*Hymn of AdorationNo. 100
Holy, Holy, Holy
(v. 4 a cappella)

*Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Prayer
O God, our exceeding joy: To sing your praise lifts my heart, for you are to me a fountain of delight and you bless the souls that rejoice in you. But because of my heart’s rebellion, I cannot praise you as I ought and desire. My nature revolts and wanders from you. Come to my aid and help me to extol you with entire heart-devotion. Cast the cords of love around my heart, then hold me and never let me go, and all for the praise of your glorious grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*Confession of FaithWESTMINSTER LARGER CATECHISM Q. 54

Minister: How is Christ exalted in His sitting at the right hand of God?

People: Christ is exalted in His sitting at the right hand of God, in that as God-man He is advanced to the highest favor with God the Father, with all fullness of

joy, glory, and power over all things in heaven and earth; and from this place He does gather and defend His church, and subdue their enemies. He furnishes His ministers and people with gifts and graces, and makes intercession for them! Thanks be to God!

*GloriaTune: Mit Freuden Zart
Ye who confess Christ’s holy name, to God give praise and glory;
Ye who the Father’s pow’r proclaim, to God give praise and glory!
All idols underfoot be trod, the Lord is God! The Lord is God!
To God all praise and glory!

Psalter Reading (responsive reading, p. 796)Psalm 33

*Hymn of PraiseNo. 170
Fairest Lord Jesus

The Prayers of Intercession
Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in His name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions, as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Father, we pray for your Church that she may be revived:
Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all pastors and missionaries:
Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for family, neighbors and friends who do not know Christ:

Lord, hear our prayer.
I ask your prayers for those who have left this church to serve Christ in this country and around the world.

Lord hear our prayer.
I ask your prayers for those in this congregation who serve Christ in various ministries in our community:
Lord hear our prayer.

Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn of ThanksgivingNo. 642
Be Thou My Vision

Worship of God through Tithes and Offerings

*DoxologyTune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
O Praise Him! O Praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

*Reading of The Holy ScripturesPsalm 30

*The Prayer for Illumination

SermonDr. Mark Futato
“JOY COMES IN THE MORNING”

*Hymn of ResponseNo. 32
Great Is Thy Faithfulness

*Benediction

Postlude

*Denotes congregation standing, if able.

6:00 P.M. Evening Gathering
Clayton Shaver will lead us as we continue our study of Genesis. The children will continue their review of Catechism for Young Children