

THE ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION
AND PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD ON

The Lord’s Day, November 20, 2016

The Christian Year: The Twenty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM Morning Service

“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory,
glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.”

[Please turn off cell phones and observe silence when the prelude begins.]

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Voluntary for Silent Prayer

*Call to Worship Psalm 63:1, 3-4

Minister: O, God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul
thirsts for you;

People: My flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land
where there is no water.

Minister: Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips
will praise you.

People: So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I
will lift up my hands.

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

*Hymn of Adoration No. 76
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

*Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all
things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of
lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and
enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under His
most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Confession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism, Q 27

Minister: What do you understand by the providence of God?

People: Providence is the almighty and ever present power of
God by which He upholds, as with His hand, heaven
and earth and all creatures and so rules them that leaf
and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years,
food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and
poverty—all things, in fact, come to us not by chance
but from His fatherly hand.

All: Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Tune: Mit Freuden Zart
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. 827) Psalm 116

*Hymn of Preparation No. 518
Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground

Prayers of the People

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. Psalm 40:1-3

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

*Hymn of Thanksgiving SH No. 17
My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness

Worship of God Through Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology Tune: 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 Scriptures Zechariah 4

*The Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Rev. Mike Glodo
“THE TREE OF LIFE REPLANTED”

*Hymn of Response No. 457
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*Benediction

Postlude
*Denotes congregational standing, if able.

Cookies & Catechism, immediately following this service.