THE ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION AND PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD ON

The Lord's Day, October 22, 2017

The Christian Year: the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Voluntary for Silent Prayer

***Call to Worship** **Psalm 66**

Minister: Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!

People: Come and see what God has done: He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.

Minister: Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of His praise be heard.

People: Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what He has done for my soul.

Unison: Blessed be God, because He has not rejected my prayer or removed His steadfast love from me.

***Hymn of Adoration** **No. 55**

To God Be the Glory

***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. But 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 Faith** THE WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM, Q 45 AND 46

Minister: Which is the first commandment?

People: The first commandment is, *Thou shalt have no other gods before me.*

Minister: What is required in the first commandment?

People: The first commandment requires us to know and acknowledge God to be the only true God, and our God; and to worship and glorify Him accordingly.

All: Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri** **Tune: Gloria Patri (Greatorex)**

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. 838) **Psalm 145**

***Hymn of Praise** **No. 460**

Amazing Grace!
(last verse a cappella)

Prayers of the People

God of our Lord Jesus Christ, Father of Glory, we pray that You would give us the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Yourself, having the eyes of our hearts enlightened, that we may know what is the hope to which You have called us, what are the riches of Your glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of Your power toward us who believe, according to the working of Your great might that You worked in Christ when You raised Him from the dead and seated Him at Your right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. You have put all things under Christ's feet and have given Him as head over all things to us, the church. It is in His name that we come to You. Amen.

Silent Meditation

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 Preparation** **SH No. 17**

My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness

Worship of God through Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology** **Tune: Old Hundredth**

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** **Deuteronomy 6:1-9**

***The Prayer for Illumination**

Sermon Dr. Michael Allen

"SCHOOLING US GRACIOUSLY"

***Hymn of Response** **No. 660**

O God beyond All Praising

***The Benediction**

Postlude

****Denotes congregational standing, if able.***

Cookies & Catechism, immediately after this service