

THE ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION AND PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD ON

The Lord's Day, September 24, 2017

The Christian Year: The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM Morning Service

*"The LORD reigns; He is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed;
He has put on strength as His belt. Your throne is established from of old;
you are from everlasting. Mightier than the thunders of many waters,
mightier than the waves of the sea, the LORD on high is mighty!" Psalm 93*

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

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Voluntary for Silent Prayer

*Call to Worship Psalm 150

Minister: Praise the LORD! Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens!

People: Praise Him for His mighty deeds!

Minister: Praise Him according to His excellent greatness!

People: Praise Him with lute and harp! Praise Him with strings and pipe!

Unison: Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

*Hymn of Adoration No. 101

*Come, Thou Almighty King
(verse 4 a cappella)*

*Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Prayer

O Father, you have loved me and sent Jesus to redeem me; O Jesus, you have loved me and assumed my nature, shed your own blood to wash away my sins; achieved righteousness to cover my unworthiness; O Holy Spirit, you have loved me and entered my heart, implanted there eternal life, revealed to me the glories of Jesus. Three persons and one God, I bless and praise you for love so unmerited, so unspeakable, so wondrous, so mighty to save the lost and raise them to glory. To you we offer unceasing praise, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

From "The Trinity" in Valley of Vision

*Affirmation of Faith Heidelberg Catechism #29

Minister: Why is the Son of God called *Jesus*, that is, Savior?

People: Because He saves us from all our sins, and because salvation is not to be sought or found in anyone else.

*Gloria Patri Tune: Ode to Joy
Glory be to God the Father and to Christ His only Son;
Praise we, too, the Holy Spirit, binding all the Church as one:
As it was in the beginning, is for now and evermore!
Amen, Amen, Alleluia! Praise to God the Three in One!

Psalter Reading (responsive reading, p. 817) Psalm 92

*Hymn of Approach SH No. 10
How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Prayers of Confession

Unison: O Lord of all creation, the stars in their courses obey Your command to shine. The fish swim in the sea, the birds fly in the air, and the cattle graze upon the earth. All Your creatures submit to Your design, except humankind. Forgive us for our presumption upon Your kindness, Your patience, and Your will, and for forgetting that we are but a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. You are the one who sustains us, yet in arrogance we pursue our own designs for our lives, our marriages, our children, our vocations and our wealth. Humble our hearts to seek first Your kingdom and Your will for Your glory and not our own. Make us dependent upon Your mercy, teaching us to worship and to wonder at every good gift You send.

Silent Confession

Pastoral Prayer

Words of Assurance

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

I John 1:9

Hymn of Response No. 465

Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord

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 Galatians 1:11-17

*The Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Dr. Michael Allen
"A GOOD WORD FROM GOD"

*Hymn of Praise No. 460

Amazing Grace

*The Benediction

Postlude

**Denotes congregational standing, if able.*

Cookies & Catechism, immediately following the service

Sunday Supper this evening