

THE ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION AND PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD ON

The Lord's Day, October 15, 2017

The Christian Year: The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM Morning Service

"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us,

that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!

The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know Him." 1 John 3:1

[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 105:1-4

Minister: Give thanks to the Lord; call on His name; make known among the nations what He has done.

People: **Sing to Him; sing praise to Him; tell of all His wonderful acts.**

Minister: Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

People: **Look to the Lord and His strength; seek His face always.**

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

*Hymn of Adoration No. 2

*O Worship the King
(verses 3 and 5 a cappella)*

*Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Invocation

King of Glory, Divine Majesty: Every perfection adorns your nature and sustains your throne. The heavens and earth are yours; the world is yours and its fullness. Your power created the universe from nothing; your wisdom has managed all its multiple concerns, presiding over nations, families, and individuals. Your goodness is boundless; all creatures wait on you, are supplied by you, are satisfied in you. How precious are the thoughts of your mercy and grace! How excellent is your loving kindness that draws us to you! Teach us to place our happiness in you, the blessed God. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

From "God All-Sufficient" in The Valley of Vision

*Confession of Faith THE WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH, CHAPTER 2

There is only one living and true God, who is infinite in being and perfection, a completely pure spirit, invisible, without bodily parts or human emotions, unchangeable, immensely vast, eternal, beyond our understanding, almighty, completely wise, completely holy, completely free, and completely absolute. He works everything according to the purpose of His own

unchangeable and completely righteous will, for His own glory. He is completely loving, gracious, merciful, and patient. He overflows with goodness and truth. He forgives wickedness, transgression, and sin, and rewards those who diligently seek Him. God has all life, glory, goodness and blessedness in Himself. He alone is all-sufficient in and unto Himself, nor does He need any of His creations or derive any glory from them. Rather, He manifests His own glory in, by, unto and upon them. He is the only source of all being, by Whom, through Whom, and to Whom everything exists. Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Tune: Mit Freuden Zart
Ye who confess Christ's holy name, to God give praise and glory;
Ye who the Father's power 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. 818) Psalm 94

***Hymn of Approach No. 106**

Father, Father of All Things

Prayers of the People

○ 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.

○ 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.

○ 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.

○ 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.

○ 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.

○ 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.

Silent Prayer/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 Praise No. 170

Fairest Lord Jesus

Worship of God through Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology Tune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Let all things their Creator bless;
And worship Him in humbleness; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise, Praise the Father, praise the Son;
And praise the Spirit, three in one;
○ Praise Him! ○ Praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

*Reading of the Holy Scriptures Romans 1:15-17

*The Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Clayton Shaver
"EAGER AND UNASHAMED"

*Hymn of Response No. 263

Lift High the Cross

*Closing Prayer

Postlude

**Denotes congregation standing, if able.*

Cookies & Catechism immediate following the service.