

# THE ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION AND PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD ON

The Lord's Day, October 7, 2018

*The Christian Year: The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost*

10:30 AM Morning Service

*"For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from him."  
Psalm 62:5*

[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 33

Minister: Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright.

**People:** For the word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

Minister: Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!

**People:** The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples. The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations.

Minister: Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love.

**Unison:** Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

**\*Hymn of Adoration** SH No. 9

*In Christ Alone*

**\*Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Invocation**

O God, our hope is in you alone. We will not place our hope in man, for he will fail us. But we will hope in your steadfast love, for it never ceases; and in your mercies, for they never come to an end. They are new every morning. Great is your faithfulness! So in hope, we will wait quietly for you to act on our behalf, to help us, to save us. May our hearts be glad in you, as we trust in your holy name. Amen.

**\*Affirmation of Faith** HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, No. 1

Minister: Christian, what is your only comfort in life and in death?

**People:** That I, with body and soul, both in life and in death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Savior *Jesus*

*Christ*, who with His precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins, and redeemed me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly *Father* not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that all things must work together for my salvation, and therefore, by His *Holy Spirit*, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready from now on to live unto Him.

**Unison:** Thanks be to God!

**\*Gloria** 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.

**The Revelation of God's Will** Ex. 20:1-17; Mt. 22:37-40

**Unison:** And God spoke all these words saying: 'I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.'

Minister: You shall have no other gods before me.

**People:** You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

Minister: You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.

**People:** Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates.

Minister: For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

**People:** Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

Minister: You shall not murder.

**People:** You shall not commit adultery.

Minister: You shall not steal.

**People:** You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Minister: You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

**Unison:** "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and soul, mind and strength...and your neighbor as yourself."

**Hymn of Confession** No. 485

*O Thou That Hear'st When Sinners Cry*

Confession

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature, prone to evil and slothful in good, and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. But, O Lord, have mercy upon us, who are ashamed and sorry for all that has displeased you. Teach us to hate our errors; cleanse us from our secret faults; and forgive our sins – for the sake of your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, by the power of the Holy Spirit, enable us to live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the commandments of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray, Amen.

Silent Meditation and Confession

Pastoral Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Colossians 1:13-14

**\*Hymn of Thanksgiving** 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** Colossians 1:1-8

**\*The Prayer for Illumination**

Sermon Rev. Seth Wallace

**"JESUS: HOPE OF THE WORLD"**

**\*Hymn of Response** No. 518

*Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground*

**\*The Benediction**

Postlude

*\*Denotes congregation standing if able*

If you would like someone to pray with you, an Elder will be available at the front of the sanctuary following the service.

Cookies & Catechism, immediately following the service