

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

The Lord's Day, January 20, 2019

*The Christian Year: The Second Sunday after the Epiphany*

## 10:30 AM Morning Service

*"For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities – all things were created through Him and for Him." Colossians 1:16*

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

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### The Voluntary for Silent Prayer

### \*Call to Worship Revelation 15:3-4

Minister: Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty!

People: Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations!

Minister: Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy.

People: All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.

Unison: Come, let us praise the LORD!

### \*Hymn of Adoration No. 53

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

### \*Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Invocation

O Lord, our Creator and Savior: You are the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. By you all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through you and for you. You are before all things, and in you all things hold together. You are the head of the body, the church. You are the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything you might be preeminent. We come to the Father in your name. Amen.

### \*Affirmation of Faith WCF XXV.I

Minister: What do you believe concerning the church?

People: The catholic or universal church, which is invisible, consists of the whole number of the elect, that have been, are, or shall be gathered in one, under Christ the Head thereof; and is the spouse, the body, the fullness of Him that fills all in all.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

\*Gloria Patri Tune: Ode to Joy  
God of glory, power, mercy, all creation praises thee;  
We, thy creatures, would adore thee now and through eternity.  
Saved to magnify thy goodness, grant us strength to do thy will;  
With our acts as with our voices thy commandments to fulfill.

The Psalter Reading *(responsive reading, p. 814)* Psalm 86

\*Hymn of Approach No. 437

*O God, to Us Show Mercy*

### Congregational Prayers

Unison: Almighty, incomprehensible and prayer-hearing God: I bless you that you have made me capable of knowing you, the author of all being; of bearing your likeness, the perfection of all beauty; of enjoying you, the source of all happiness. I come to you in the midst of my difficulties, necessities, distresses. I need the same counsel, defense, comfort I found at my beginning. Continue the gentleness of your goodness towards me, and whether I wake or sleep, let your presence go with me and your blessing attend me. In the name and for the sake of Jesus, my great High Priest. Amen.

A Season of Prayer for the President, Congress and Supreme Court

A Season of Prayer for the Sanctity of Life

For the Unborn

For the Aged

For the Infirm

A Season of Prayer for Care Net

Pastoral Prayer

Words of Encouragement

Minister: Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.

*(Ephesians 6:10-13)*

Unison: What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

\*Hymn of Response SH No. 2

*O Church, Arise*

Worship of God through Tithes and Offerings

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

\*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!

\*Reading of the Holy Scriptures Colossians 2:16-23

\*The Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Rev. Seth Wallace

**"JESUS: THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH"**

\*Hymn of Response No. 163

*At the Name of Jesus*

\*The Benediction

Postlude

*\*Denotes congregation standing, if able.*

**Cookies & Catechism, immediately following this service**

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