

THE ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION AND PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD ON

The Lord's Day, February 10, 2019

The Christian Year: The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

10:30 AM Morning Service

*"I love the Lord, because He has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy. Because He inclined His ear to me, therefore I will call on Him as long as I live."
Psalm 116:1-2*

[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 149

Minister: Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!

People: For the word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.

Minister: By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and by the breath of his mouth all their host.

People: Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him! For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.

Minister: The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations.

Unison: Come! Let us give praise to the Lord!

***Hymn of Adoration** No. 1

*All People That on Earth Do Dwell
(last verse a cappella)*

***Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Invocation**

O God, we bless you, our Creator, Preserver, Benefactor, Teacher, for opening to us the volume of nature where we may read and consider your works. And on this day, you spread before us the fuller pages of revelation, and in them we see what you would have us do, what you require of us, what you have promised to us, what you have given us in Jesus. We pray for a conscious experience of his salvation, in our deliverance from sin, in our bearing his image, in our enjoying his presence, in our being upheld by his free Spirit. We thank you that we need not live uncertain of what we are or of where we are going. For you bear witness with our spirit that we are your children, and with great joy we may say, "I know my Redeemer." In his name we come to you. Amen.

Adapted from "The Teacher" in The Valley of Vision

***Confession of Faith** WCF LI

Minister: What do you believe concerning the Holy Scripture?

People: Although the light of nature, and the works of creation and providence do so far manifest the goodness, wisdom, and power of God, as to leave men unexcusable; yet they are not sufficient to give that knowledge of God, and of his will, which is necessary unto salvation. Therefore, it pleased the Lord, at sundry times, and in divers manners, to reveal himself, and to declare his will unto his church; and afterwards, for the better preserving and propagating the truth, and for the more sure establishment and comfort of the church against the corruption of the flesh, and the malice of Satan and of the world, to commit the same wholly unto writing; which makes the Holy Scripture to be most necessary; those former ways of God's revealing his will unto his people being now ceased.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

***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. 790) Psalm 19

***Hymn of Thanksgiving** Insert
Heavens Shout God's Matchless Glory (verses 1-4)

Public Confession

Gracious and loving Father, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future filled with hope, in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, our light and our life. Amen.

Private Confession

Pastoral Prayer

Promise of the Gospel

If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O LORD, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption. Psalm 130:3-4, 7

***Hymn of Thanksgiving** Insert
Heavens Shout God's Matchless Glory (verses 5-6)

Worship of God through Tithes and Offerings

***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!

***Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

***Reading of The Holy Scriptures** Colossians 3:5-17

***The Prayer for Illumination**

Sermon Rev. Seth Wallace
"JESUS: THE WORD (PART 2)"

***Hymn of Response and Preparation** No. 255
O Jesus, We Adore Thee

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation and Instructions

All who have professed faith in Jesus Christ and have been baptized and who are communicant members in good standing in an evangelical church are invited to come to participate in this sacred Sacrament of the Church. This is not a Presbyterian table, and we do not restrict it as such; it is the Lord's Table. However, the church alone grants access to the table and must guard it from the leaven of unrighteousness (1 Cor. 5:6-8). Therefore, if you have not repented and trusted in Christ or if you are harboring sin in your life or if there is any person from whom you are estranged, please do not participate in this meal. We invite you instead to use this time to reflect and ask God to speak to your heart and give you more light and understanding. Children who have not been admitted to the table by the church should also refrain from partaking of the Supper.

*For those who prefer, the outer ring of the tray is grape juice.
Please hold the bread and cup until all have been served
so that we may partake together.*

***Departing Hymn** No. 660
O God beyond All Praising

***Benediction**

Postlude

**Denotes congregation standing, if able.*

Cookies & Catechism, immediately following this service

The deacons encourage you to consider supporting their work among those in need by giving an offering as you leave worship this morning. This offering will be used to provide assistance to those in our congregation and wider community who have financial and material needs. Please use the mercy box to make your gift. Many thanks to you!