THE ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION AND PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD ON

The Lord's Day, January 19, 2020

The Christian Year: The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

10:30 AM Morning Service

He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it. I Thessalonians 5:24

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

Welcome and Announcements

The Voluntary for Silent Prayer

*Call to Worship Lamentations 3:22-24

Minister: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;

his mercies never come to an end;

Minister: they are new every morning;

People: great is your faithfulness.

Unison: "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I

will hope in him."

*Hymn of Adoration

No. 32

Great Is Thy Faithfulness (verse 3 a cappella)

*Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Invocation

Lord God, we praise you and give you thanks, for your word is right and true and you are faithful in all you do. By your word, the heavens were made. You spoke, and all things came to be. You foil the plans of the nations and thwart the purposes of the wicked, but your plans stand firm forever and the purposes of your heart through all generations. Therefore, we trust in you alone and hope in your unfailing love. You are our help and our shield. In you our hearts rejoice, and we trust in your holy name. Amen.

From Psalm 33

*Affirmation of Faith

WCF 14.2

Minister: What do you believe concerning saving faith?

People:

By this faith, a Christian believes to be true whatever is revealed in the Word, because of the authority of God himself speaking in it. He also responds differently to what each particular passage contains – obeying the commands, trembling at the threatenings, and embracing the promises of God for this life and that which is to come. But the principal acts of saving faith are accepting, receiving, and resting upon Christ alone for justification, sanctification, and eternal life, by virtue of the covenant of grace.

Tune: Ode to Joy *Gloria Patri

Glory to you, God our Father, you are worthy of our praise; In the highest realms of heaven, on your throne of majesty. Glory to you, high and exalted, seated among the angel host. Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we will praise you evermore!

The Psalter Reading (responsive reading, page 836)

Psalm 139

*Hymn of Approach

No. 98

Now Thank We All Our God

Congregational Prayers

Unison: Our Father, we thank you for the Gospel! You have led us to embrace it, and you have given us a partnership in it. Thank you that you, who have begun this good work in us, will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. And so we pray that our love may abound yet more and more in all knowledge and discernment, so that we may approve what is excellent, and so be

pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ,

to the glory and praise of God.

from Philippians 1:3-11

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

A Season of Prayer for the Sanctity of Life

For the Unborn For the Aged For the Infirm

A Season of Prayer for CareNet

Pastoral Prayer and Words of Assurance

Minister: Sing to God, sing praises to His name; lift up a song to Him who rides through the deserts; His name is the Lord; exult before Him! Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in His holy habitation. God settles the solitary in a home; He leads out the prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious dwell in a parched land. ... Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation.

(Psalm 68:4-6, 19)

Unison: Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me,

bless His holy name!

*Hymn of Thanksgiving

No. 660

O God beyond All Praising

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

Genesis 17:1-27

*The Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Rev. Seth Wallace

"GOD ALMIGHTY GIVES A PROMISE"

*Hymn of Response

No. 53

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*The Benediction

Postlude

*Denotes congregation standing, if able.

Cookies & Catechism, immediately following this service.