

# THE LORD'S DAY

December 11, 2022

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:55 AM)

INTROIT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Isaiah* 9:2

\*INVOCATION

\*HYMN: **Trinity 226** (Blue) - *As with Gladness Men of Old*

CORPORATE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION OF SIN

Minister: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men, we acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,

**All: Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against Your divine Majesty, provoking most justly your wrath and indignation against us.**

Minister: We earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings.

**All: The remembrance of them is grievous to us, the burden of them is intolerable.**

Minister: Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, for Your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake.

**All: Forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may ever from now on serve and please You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: *Galatians* 4:4-5

\*GLORIA PATRI - **Trinity 735**

**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.**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *Westminster Larger Catechism* Q. 129-130

Q. 129. What is required of superiors towards their inferiors?

**A. It is required of superiors, according to that power they receive from God, and that relation wherein they stand, to love, pray for, and bless their inferiors; to instruct, counsel and admonish them; countenancing, commending, and rewarding such as do well, and discountenancing, reproofing, and chastising such as do ill; protecting, and providing for them all things necessary for soul and body: and by grave, wise, holy, and exemplary carriage, to procure glory to God, honour to themselves, and so to preserve that authority which God hath put upon them.**

Q. 130. What are the sins of superiors?

**A. The sins of superiors are, besides the neglect of the duties required of them, an inordinate seeking of themselves, their own glory, ease, profit, or pleasure;**

**commanding things unlawful, or not in the power of inferiors to perform; counselling, encouraging, or favouring them in that which is evil; dissuading, discouraging, or discountenancing them in that which is good; correcting them unduly; careless exposing, or leaving them to wrong, temptation, and danger; provoking them to wrath; or any way dishonouring themselves, or lessening their authority, by an unjust, indiscreet, rigorous, or remiss behaviour.**

CONGREGATIONAL SCRIPTURE READING: *Psalms* 147 (Insert)

ANTHEM: *Jesus, Bread of Life (Break Thou the Bread of Life/Fairest Lord Jesus)*

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*BIBLE SONG 49 (Green) - *The Character of Heavenly Citizens (Psalm 24)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON TEXT: *Acts* 14:19-28 (p. 923, LP p. 1097)

SERMON: "The Progress of Biblical Missions"

\*HYMN: **Trinity 196** (Blue) - *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* (Stanzas 1-2)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (**Bread** is gluten free; **Wine** is on the outer ring)

\*HYMN: **Trinity 196** (Blue) - *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* (Stanzas 3-4)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

\*DOXOLOGY - **Trinity 731**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**May the peace of God, our heav'nly Father, and the grace of Christ, the risen Son, And the fellowship of God the Spirit, keep our hearts and minds within his love. And to him be praise for his glorious reign from the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n, We declare the name of the Lamb once slain, Christ eternal, the King of Kings.**

POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand, if able*

*If you are visiting with us, please complete a Visitor's Card and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!*

If you need prayer, an elder is available following the service by the door to the anteroom.