

THE LORD'S DAY

December 3, 2023

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:55 AM)

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Psalm* 85:8-9

*INVOCATION

*HYMN: **Trinity 196** - *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

CORPORATE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION OF SIN

Minister: Merciful God, in Your gracious presence we confess our sin.

All: Although Christ is among us as our promised peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world.

Minister: We dwell on our fears and remain entangled by sin, forgetting to find our greatest rest in You.

All: We abuse the many good gifts You have given, at times even scorning the greatness of the gift of Your Son, Immanuel.

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us, Your people; heal and forgive us.

All: Set us free to serve You in the world with the joy and peace that come from knowing Christ our Redeemer is with us. For we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: *Isaiah* 57:16-19

*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: *Heidelberg Catechism* Q. 19-20

Q. 19. Whence knowest thou this?

A. From the holy Gospel, which God himself revealed first in Paradise; and afterwards published by the Patriarchs and Prophets, and was pleased to represent it by the shadows of sacrifices, and the other ceremonies of the law; and lastly has accomplished it by his only begotten Son.

Q. 20. Are all men, then, as they perished in Adam, saved by Christ?

A. No, only those who are ingrafted into him, and receive all his benefits by a true faith.

CONGREGATIONAL SCRIPTURE READING: *Isaiah* 9:1-7 (**Insert**)

HYMN: **Bible Songs 3** - *The Kingship of Jesus* (Psa. 2)

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.

ANTHEM: *I Call Him Lord*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON TEXT: *Revelation* 8:13-9:12 (p. 1033, LP p. 1224)

SERMON: "Jesus' Sovereignty Over Demonic Activity"

*HYMN: **Trinity 195** - *Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come* (Stanzas 1-2)

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

*HYMN: **Trinity 195** - *Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come* (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.