

# THE LORD'S DAY

March 12, 2023

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:55 AM)

INTROIT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Isaiah* 44:1-5

\*INVOCATION

\*HYMN: **Trinity 331** (Blue) - *Come, O Come, Thou Quickening Spirit*

CORPORATE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION OF SIN

**O Lord Most High, we confess that we have often tried to please You with our righteousness instead of pleading the righteousness of Christ. We have tried to cleanse our sins by becoming “better” Christians rather than receiving forgiveness through Your blood. We have sought our nourishment in vain activities instead of trusting in Your daily provision by the Spirit. Merciful Father, continue to enlighten our darkened hearts by the light of Your gospel. Help us not to fear the filling and cleansing work of Your Spirit, but make us eager for it, rejoicing in unspeakable joy that we are being conformed to the image of Your Son, for we pray in His name. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: *Titus* 3:5-7

\**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. 151-152

Q. 151. What are those aggravations that make some sins more heinous than others?

**A. Sins receive their aggravations, 3. From the nature and quality of the offence: if it be against the express letter of the law, break many commandments, contain in it many sins: if not only conceived in the heart, but breaks forth in words and actions, scandalize others, and admit of no reparation: if against means, mercies, judgments, light of nature, conviction of conscience, public or private admonition, censures of the church, civil punishments; and our prayers, purposes, promises, vows, covenants, and engagements to God or men: if done deliberately, wilfully, presumptuously, impudently, boastingly, maliciously, frequently, obstinately, with delight, continuance, or relapsing after repentance. 4. From circumstances of time and place: if on the Lord's day, or other times of divine worship; or immediately before or after these, or other helps to prevent or remedy such miscarriages: if in public, or in the presence of others, who are thereby likely to be provoked or defiled.**

Q. 152. What doth every sin deserve at the hands of God?

**A. Every sin, even the least, being against the sovereignty, goodness, and holiness of God, and against his righteous law, deserveth his wrath and curse, both in this life,**

**and that which is to come; and cannot be expiated but by the blood of Christ.**

CONGREGATIONAL SCRIPTURE READING: *Psalms* 143 (Insert)

HYMN: **Bible Songs 188** (Green) - *Under His Wings* (Psalm 91)

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.**

\*HYMN: **Insert** - *Holy Spirit Living Breath of God*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON TEXT: Acts 19:1-10 (p. 928, LP p. 1103)

SERMON: “The Holy Spirit Comes Upon Ephesus”

\*HYMN: **Trinity 338** (Blue) - *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* (Stanzas 1-3)

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

\*HYMN: **Trinity 338** (Blue) - *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* (Stanzas 4-5)

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.