

THE LORD'S DAY

March 17, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:55 AM)

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Psalms* 57:7-11

*INVOCATION

*HYMN: **Trinity 528** - *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

CORPORATE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION OF SIN

Eternal God, Your covenant of love with us is never broken and Your promises always hold true. We confess that we have failed to fulfill Your will for us and failed to hold fast to You. We betray Your faithfulness, desert our commitments, and run in fear when we should faithfully stand firm. Though You have bound Yourself to us in love we are prone to wander from Your loving embrace. God, have mercy on us, weak and willful people; forgive and drive away any devotions that draw us away from You. Keep us in Christ, who is the vine from which we grow in faith and forgive us for His sake. For we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: *1 John* 4:9-10

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. 41-42

Q. 41. Why was he also buried?

A. Thereby to prove that he was really dead.

Q. 42. Since then Christ died for us, why must we also die?

A. Our death is not a satisfaction for our sins, but only an abolishing of sin, and a passage into eternal life.

CONGREGATIONAL SCRIPTURE READING: *Hosea* 14 (**Insert**)

ANTHEM: *Through the Blood*

(Children ages 0-4 may exit the sanctuary at this time on the right side to go to nursery; they will be returned to parents when the sermon has concluded.)

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: **Bible Songs 225** - *God's Covenant Faithfulness* (*Psa.* 105)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON TEXT: *Revelation* 17:1-7 (p. 1037, LP p. 1229)

SERMON: "The Vision of the Great Harlot"

*HYMN: **Insert** - *In Christ Alone* (Stanzas 1-2)

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

*HYMN: **Insert** - *In Christ Alone* (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.