The Lord's Day March 25, 2018

Welcome and Announcements (10:55 AM)

*Call to Worship: Psalm 122:1-4

*Invocation

*Hymn: **Trinity 115** - All Creatures of Our God and King

Confession of Sin

O Lord Jesus Christ, who for our sakes suffered death upon the cross, help us to bear about with us Your dying, and, in our living, to show forth Your life. Looking on You whom we have pierced, help us to mourn for our sins with heartfelt sorrow and give us grace to forgive as we have been forgiven to share in the fellowship of your sufferings, and to overcome the world. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us Your peace. Lord, we pray You, in Your great mercy, remember us when You come into Your kingdom. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: 1 Peter 1:18-19

* Gloria Patri - Trinity 735

*Affirmation of Faith: The Heidelberg Catechism 71-73 (Responsively)

Q. 71. Where has Christ promised that we are as certainly washed with His blood and Spirit as with the water of Baptism?

A. In the institution of Baptism, which runs thus: Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. This promise is also repeated where the Scripture calls Baptism the washing of regeneration and the washing away of sins.

Q. 72. Is then the outward washing with water itself the washing away of sins?

A. No; for only the blood of Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit cleanse us from all sin.

Q. 73. Why, then, doth the Holy Ghost call Baptism the washing of regeneration, and the washing away of sins?

A. God speaks thus not without great cause: namely, not only to teach us thereby that like as the filthiness of the body is taken away by water, so our sins also are taken away by the blood and Spirit of Christ; but much more, that by this divine pledge and token He may assure us, that we are as really washed from our sins spiritually, as our bodies are washed with water.

Congregational Scripture Reading: Psalm 124, p. 831

Anthem:

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.

*Psalter: **Bible Songs 218** - His Love is Like a Father's

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Text: 1 John 2:12-17 (p. **1021**; LP p. **1210**)

Sermon: "Loving God but Not the World"

*Hymn: **Trinity 534** - O for a Closer Walk with God

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

**Doxology* - Trinity 731

*Benediction

*Congregational Response: *Threefold Amen* - Trinity 740

Postlude

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Greetings! Our church family extends a cordial welcome to all who worship with us today. If you are visiting with us, please allow us to get to know you by completing a **guest card** in the pew rack and placing it in the offering plate. Pastor Seth will greet you in the Main St. vestibule following the service.

	3-25-2018	4-1-2018
Flowers	The Farris Family	
Nursery	Joanna Bedenbaugh	
Ushers	Lee Ringer, Cecil McRacken,	
	Andre Jennings, Noah Yi	

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