

THE LORD'S DAY

August 20, 2023

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:55 AM)

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Psalm 29:1-4*

*INVOCATION

*HYMN: **Trinity 296** - *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

CORPORATE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION OF SIN

Father in heaven, by Your grace You have made us to be Your chosen people, holy and special to You. We have been called out of darkness and into the light. But we confess our failures to You. Though You have chosen us, we have sometimes chosen to give our devotion to something or someone else. You have called us to be set apart, holy and pure, but we have yielded to our sinful desires, thoughts, and actions. Though you have called us to the light, we often stay in the darkness, seeking to hide our sins, or privately enjoying them. Forgive us, we pray, O God. Have mercy on us, for the sake of Your Son. Wash us clean of all impurities and bring us into the light that we may be a light on a lampstand, sharing Your light with the world around us. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: *1 Corinthians 6:9-11*

*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. 192-193*

Q. 192. What do we pray for in the third petition?

A. In the third petition, (which is, Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven,) acknowledging, that by nature we and all men are not only utterly unable and unwilling to know and do the will of God, but prone to rebel against his word, to repine and murmur against his providence, and wholly inclined to do the will of the flesh, and of the devil: we pray that God would by his Spirit take away from ourselves and others all blindness, weakness, indisposedness, and perverseness of heart; and by his grace make us able and willing to know, do, and submit to his will in all things, with the like humility, cheerfulness, faithfulness, diligence, zeal, sincerity, and constancy, as the angels do in heaven.

Q. 193. What do we pray for in the fourth petition?

A. In the fourth petition, (which is, Give us this day our daily bread,) acknowledging, that in Adam, and by our own sin, we have forfeited our right to all the outward blessings of this life, and deserve to be wholly deprived of them

by God, and to have them cursed to us in the use of them; and that neither they of themselves are able to sustain us, nor we to merit, or by our own industry to procure them; but prone to desire, get, and use them unlawfully: we pray for ourselves and others, that both they and we, waiting upon the providence of God from day to day in the use of lawful means, may, of his free gift, and as to his fatherly wisdom shall seem best, enjoy a competent portion of them; and have the same continued and blessed unto us in our holy and comfortable use of them, and contentment in them; and be kept from all things that are contrary to our temporal support and comfort.

ANTHEM: *You Raise Me Up*

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.

CONGREGATIONAL SCRIPTURE READING: *Psalm 116:1-14 (Insert)*

HYMN: **Bible Songs 242** (*Psa. 116*) - *I Love the Lord*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON TEXT: *Revelation 2:12-17* (p. 1028, LP p. 1219)

SERMON: "The Sword of Christ's Mouth"

*HYMN: **Trinity 392** - *O Day of Rest and Gladness* (Stanzas 1-3)

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

*HYMN: **Trinity 392** - *O Day of Rest and Gladness* (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.