THE LORD'S DAY April 21, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:55 AM)

Introit

*CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 24:7-10

*INVOCATION

*HYMN: **Trinity 571** - Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

CORPORATE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION OF SIN

Minister: O Lord our God in heaven, we confess that we stand before Your throne unworthy in ourselves.

All: You are our Creator, Savior, and King, great in power and goodness beyond our imagining.

Minister: But we, in our weakness, have failed in the tasks you have given to us, failed to be faithful to our calling.

All: In thought, word, and deed, by action and inaction, we have rebelled against You, O God, and sinned against our neighbor. We plead for Your forgiveness.

Minister: Let us know the victory and the worthiness of Christ as our only hope in life and death.

All: Lead us in paths of righteousness to the praise and glory of God forever. For we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Psalm 50:14-15

*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. 49-50

Q. 49. Of What advantage to us is Christ's ascension into heaven?

A. First, that he is our advocate in the presence of his Father in heaven; secondly, that we have our flesh in heaven, as a sure pledge that he, as the head, will also take up to himself, us, his members; thirdly, that he sends us his Spirit, as an earnest, by whose power we "seek the things which are above, where Christ sitteth at the right hand of God, and not things on earth."

Q. 50. Why is it added, "and sitteth at the right hand of God?"

A. Because Christ is ascended into heaven for this end, that he might there appear as head of his church, by whom the Father governs all things.

CONGREGATIONAL SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 65:8–16 (Insert)

ANTHEM: I Surrender All

(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 183** - The Triumphant Christ (Psa. 89)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON TEXT: Revelation 19:11-21 (p. 1040, LP p. 1232)

SERMON: "The Return of the King"

*HYMN: Insert - O Church, Arise (Stanzas 1-2)

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

*HYMN: **Insert** - O Church, Arise (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

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.

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