

OUR WORSHIP

THE COMMON SERVICE

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Opening Hymn CW226 vv 1-5

“To Your Temple I Draw Near”

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: (sing) Amen

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Beloved in the Lord; let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Lord, Have Mercy

C: (sing) Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: (sing) Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: (sing) Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

*We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you,
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King.
God the Father al-mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;*

*O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the
sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the
sin of the world; receive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of God the Father;
have mercy on us. For you only are holy; you only are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the
Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.*

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: (sing) And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: (sing) Amen

THE WORD

Epistle Lesson – Romans 9:1-5 – “Paul’s Powerful Model of Love and Concern”

¹I speak the truth in Christ--I am not lying, my conscience confirms it in the Holy Spirit-- ²I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, those of my own race, ⁴the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption as sons; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. ⁵Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of Christ, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen.

Verse of the Day

C: (sing) Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel – Matthew 14:22-33 - “Christians Walk on Water”

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:

C: (sing) Glory be to you, O Lord!

²²Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. ²³After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. ²⁵During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. ²⁶When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. ²⁷But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." ²⁸"Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." ²⁹"Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" ³¹Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" ³²And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. ³³Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:

C: (sing) Praise be to you, O Christ!

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day CW496

“Glorious In Majesty”

Child Psychology

¹⁵The rod of correction imparts wisdom, but a child left to himself disgraces his mother. ¹⁶When the wicked thrive, so does sin, but the righteous will see their downfall. ¹⁷Discipline your son, and he will give you peace; he will bring delight to your soul. ¹⁸Where there is no revelation, the people cast off restraint; but blessed is he who keeps the law.

The Fourth Commandment

**Honor your father and mother, that it may go well with you
and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.**

What does this mean?

**We should fear and love God that we do not dishonor or anger our parents and others in
authority, but honor, serve, and obey them,
and give them love and respect.**

Response: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

(sing) Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit. Amen.

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

The Bible teaches that in Lord's Supper there is a coming together or fellowship. There is a vertical fellowship as we come together with Jesus and receive his true body and blood, and a horizontal fellowship as we come together with those who believe as we do and are one in faith. If you are a guest and haven't had a chance to express this fellowship, please speak to our Pastor if you desire the Lord's Supper. May God grant this Scriptural practice be welcomed by all who worship here today!

Preface: *P: The Lord be with you*

C: (sing) And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: (sing) We lift them up unto the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: (sing) It is good and right so to do.

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy *(sing)*

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of heavenly hosts; heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he, blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: (sing) Amen

O Christ, Lamb of God *(sing)*

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace. Amen.

During the Distribution we will sing Hymn 506

“Oh, Blest the House, Whate'er Befall”

THANKSGIVING

Song of Simeon *(sing)*

Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace according to your word.

For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared before the face of all people,

A light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of your people Israel.

P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: (sing) And his mercy endures forever

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (sing) Amen

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: (sing) Amen. Amen. Amen.

Closing Hymn CW226 vv 6-7

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