

Go and Show
Him his Sin,
just between the
two of you!

The Order of Worship

Pre-service Music Welcome

Opening Hymn: “O God of Mercy, God of Might”
Christian Worship 499

The Invocation

P: In the name of the Triune God—God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Holy Spirit.

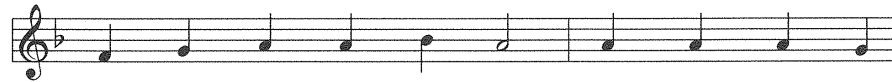


C: A — men!

The Confession of Sins

P: Dearly loved 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.**



C: Lord, have mer—cy on us. Christ, have mer—cy



on us. Lord, have mer—cy on us.

Absolution

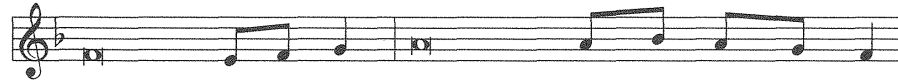
God's Forgiveness Proclaimed

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: A — men!

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



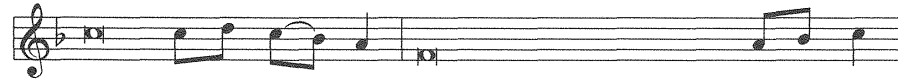
C: **Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.**



We praise you, we bless you, we wor- ship you, we glorify you,



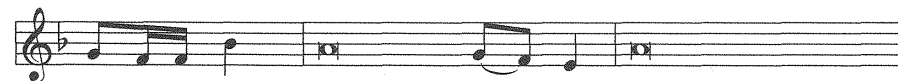
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'nly King,



God the Fa- ther Al- mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je- sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



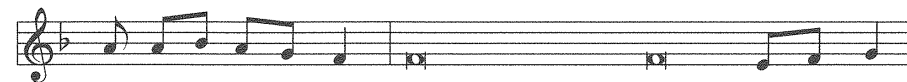
sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the



sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of



God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly are holy;



you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Prayer for the Day

P: The Lord be with you.



C: And al— so with you.

P: O gracious Lord and Savior, you call all people to repent of their sin and return to you. Sadly this call goes unanswered in the lives of many. Work through your Law which uncovers our sin and shows us our great need for a Savior. Then, by your Holy Spirit proclaim the peace that comes from knowing we have a Savior in you. As we live in the joy and peace of our forgiveness, use us to call others to repentance, especially those who belong to the family of faith. Fill us with the same love you have had for us. Work powerfully through your holy Word. Give us joy in seeing souls reclaimed for you. Hear us and use us to the glory of your name—who with the Father and the Spirit reign as the one true, compassionate, and glorious God.



C: A — men!

The Lessons from God's Word

"I will teach rebels your ways, and sinners will turn to you!"

Old Testament

Ezekiel 33:7-11

⁷But I have appointed you, son of man, to be a watchman for the house of Israel. So whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you are to warn them from me. ⁸When I say to a wicked man, "Wicked man, you shall surely die," if you do not speak to warn the wicked man against his way, that wicked man will die because of his guilt, but I will also hold you responsible for his blood. ⁹But if you do warn the wicked man to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, he will die because of his guilt, but you will have saved your life.

¹⁰So you, son of man, say the following to the house of Israel. This is what you people are saying: "Certainly our rebellion and our sins weigh us down, and because of them we are rotting away. How then can we live?" ¹¹Say to them, "As I live, declares the LORD God, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that the wicked turn from their way and live. Turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why should you die, O house of Israel?"

Psalm for the Day

Psalm 32

Refrain



Re - mem - ber your mer - cy, O Lord;



re - mem - ber your mer - cy and love.



Blessed is he whose transgressions are for- | given; *
whose sins are | covered.

When I kept silent, your hand was heavy up- | on me, *
my strength was sapped as in the heat of | summer.

Then I acknowledged my | sin to you, *
and did not cover up my in- | iquity.

I said, “I will confess my transgressions | to the LORD; *
and you forgave the guilt | of my sin.

Refrain

You are my | hiding place; *
you will protect me from | trouble.

Many are the woes of the | wicked, *
but the LORD’S unfailing love surrounds those
who | trust in him.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son, *
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning, *
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Epistle

Galatians 2:11–16

¹¹But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he was clearly wrong. ¹²For before some people came from James, he ate with the Gentiles. But when those people came, he drew back and separated himself, because he feared those from the circumcision group. ¹³And the rest of the Jews joined him in his hypocrisy, with the result that even Barnabas was carried away by their hypocrisy. ¹⁴But when I saw that they were not acting according to the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas in front of all of them, “If you, a Jew, live like the Gen-

tiles and not like the Jews, why do you compel the Gentiles to live like the Jews?"

¹⁵“We are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners. ¹⁶We know that a person is not justified by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. So we also believed in Christ Jesus that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law.

Verse of the Day

Psalm 119:169-176

P: May my loud cry come before you, LORD. Give me understanding through your Word. May my plea for mercy come before you. Deliver me according to your saying. May my lips overflow with praise, because you teach me your statutes. May my tongue sing of your saying, because all your commandments are righteousness. May your hand be ready to help me, because I have chosen your precepts. I long for your salvation, O LORD, and your law is my delight. Let my soul live and praise you, and may your judgments help me. I have strayed like a perishing sheep. Seek your servant, because I have not forgotten your commandments.

Alleluia!



C: Al - le - lu — ia! Al - le - lu — ia! Al - le - lu — ia!

The Gospel

P: The Holy Gospel is recorded in the eighteenth chapter of Matthew, reading from the fifteenth verse.



C: Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

¹⁵“If your brother sins against you, go and show him his sin just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have regained your brother. ¹⁶But if he will not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that ‘every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.’ ¹⁷If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And, if he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as an unbeliever or a tax collector. ¹⁸Amen I tell you: Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Amen I tell you again: If two of you on earth agree to ask for anything, it will be done for them by my Father who is in heaven. ²⁰In fact where two or three have gathered together in my name, there I am among them.”

P: This is the Word of our God—our call to repent and find mercy, and our call to show mercy to those who need to repent.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

The Confession of Faith

(we will unite in the words of the Apostles Creed)

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated

at the right hand of God the Father almighty;

from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church—the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn of the Day

“Today, Your Mercy Calls Us”
Christian Worship 339

Sermon

“Christian Discipline is —
Ezekiel 33:7-9 —
Commanded by God
Galatians 2:11-14 —
Done in Humble Love
Matthew 18:15-18 —
Empowered by the Word

“Create in Me”

Psalm 51



C: Cre- ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-



new a right spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-



way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho- ly Spir- it



from me. Re-store un—to me the joy of your sal—va —



tion, and up—hold me with your free Spir-it. A—men.

Praise and Thanksgiving

Prayer for the Day

Special Prayers and Requests

The Lord's Prayer

(spoken by the congregation and pastor)

**C: 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!**

Hymn

“Come Unto Me, Ye Weary”
Christian Worship 336

Closing Prayer

P: O gracious Lord of the Church, you set many tasks before us. One which needs to be done, but which is done reluctantly, is calling the straying back to your fold. Fill us with a patient and

humble love which continues to call these precious souls back to you. Forgive us when we allow fear or a lack of commitment to keep us from doing this blessed work. Use each of us in your own special way to work in the lives to those we know. As we commit ourselves to this work, keep us in your gracious care. Never let Satan or our own sinful flesh distract us, or make us believe this work is not worthwhile. Let your love flow through every thought, every word, and everything we undertake, so that your name—Father, Son, and Spirit—is glorified in the rescue of lost and straying souls.



C: A — men!

The Benediction

P: Brothers and sisters, aim for perfection, listen to God's Word, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and compassion will be with you.

The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
The Lord look on you with favor, and give you peace.



C: A—men. A—men. A — men.

Closing Hymn

“Blest Be the Tie that Binds”
Christian Worship 494

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Today—*Welcome in Name of our gracious Lord and Savior!*
May the love God has shown us through his Son, lead us to love others unconditionally, and call them to repentance and forgive-

ness. If you are visiting this morning, please sign the guest book or a visitor card. Come back and worship with us again, soon.

- Following the worship service there will be time for some snacks, a cup of coffee, and the gift of fellowship in the Lord.
- Christian Education will follow the service. We will consider the familiar and occasionally misused words of Matthew 18.

Wednesday—This evening a new Bible Class starts. The topic for the next several weeks will be “Fragments of Truth.” It will start with a video, then continue with lessons on why we can be confident the Scriptures we read are God’s Word and not human inventions and embellishments.

Friday—Office Hours from 10:30 am—2:30 pm.

Saturday—Church Cleaning—Todd

- Mowing beginning September 18th—J. Brown

Sunday, September 17th—In Person Worship and Live-Streaming at 9:30 am. Paul’s final conclusion is the goal and purpose of our life in Christ—“be imitators of God as his dearly loved children.” He also instructs how this can happen in our lives— “we walk in love just as Christ Jesus loved us.”

- Christian Education will follow the service. Joseph’s words to his brothers are a needed encouragement. We not only need to understand good can come from evil, we also need to put this encouragement into practice.

Thank You!

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