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EXODUS 3:14, NRSV

The Order of Worship

(We will follow the Service of Word and Sacrament as it is printed on page 26 in the front section of the Hymnal)

Opening Hymn

"Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"

Christian Worship 221

The Invocation

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

The Confession of Sins

P: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

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.

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 the 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: Amen!

Lord have Mercy

P: Jesus lived for us. Jesus died for us. Jesus rose again for us. Because of his great compassion, we know God the Father will hear and answer us for our good. With this confidence, we pray:

P: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



P: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer — cy.

P: For the well-being of your holy church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise; hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer — cy.

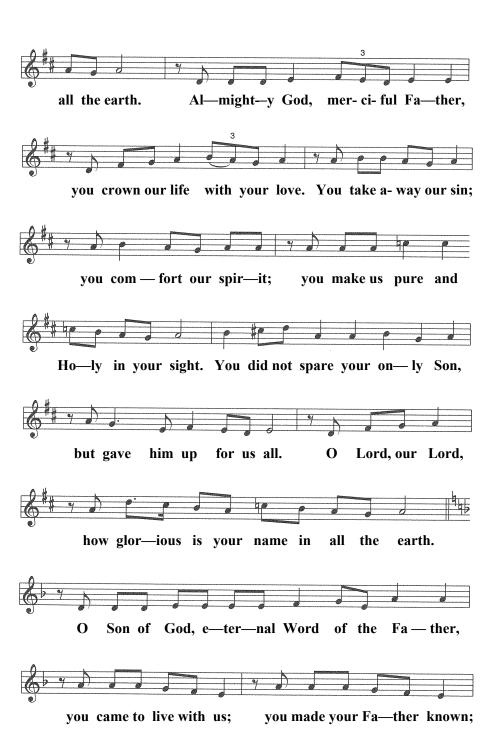
P: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care.



P: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise;



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glor-ious is your name in





you washed us from our sins in your own blood.

You are the



King of glo-ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,



how glor—ious is your name in all the earth.

Prayer of the Day

P: O gracious and merciful Lord, you have blessed us with your holy Word. It is our guide for life. It is also our guard in every time of temptation. Equally important, it is the means through which we come to know forgiveness and eternal life. Keep us in your holy Word. Support us by it. Direct our steps by its truth. Comfort us with its ever faithful promises. Then, give us grateful hearts which receive your Word with thanksgiving. Give us faithful hearts, as well, to trust and cherish all you have recorded for our welfare. Bless us through your Word and by its neverfailing power keep us to eternal life where we will praise you—Father, Son, and Spirit—throughout endless ages.



The Lessons from God's Word

"The Word is Our Hope, Our Strength, and our Joy"

Old Testament

Exodus 20:1-17

¹Then God spoke all these words:

²I am the LORD your God, who brought you out from the land of Egypt, where you were slaves.

³You shall have no other gods beside me. ⁴You shall not make any carved image for yourself or a likeness of anything in heaven above, or on the earth below, or in the waters under the earth. ⁵Do not bow down to them or be subservient to them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God. I follow up on the guilt of the fathers with their children, their grandchildren, and their greatgrandchildren, if they also hate me. ⁶But I show mercy to thousands who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not permit anyone who misuses his name to escape unpunished.

⁸Remember the Sabbath day by setting it apart as holy. ⁹Six days you are to serve and do all your regular work, ¹⁰but the seventh day shall be a Sabbath rest to the LORD your God. Do not do any regular work, neither you, nor your sons or daughters, nor your male or female servants, nor your cattle, nor the alien who is residing inside your gates, ¹¹for in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and everything that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. In this way the LORD blessed the seventh day and made it holy.

¹²Honor your father and your mother so that you may spend many days on the land that the LORD your God is giving to you.

¹³You shall not commit murder.

¹⁴You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵You shall not steal.

¹⁶You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

¹⁷You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, his male servant, his female servant, his ox, his donkey, or anything else that belongs to your neighbor.

Psalm for the Day

Psalm 19

P: The law of the LORD is perfect. It revives the soul. The testimony of the LORD is trustworthy. It gives wisdom to the inexperienced. The precepts of the LORD are right. They give joy to the heart. The commandment of the LORD is bright. It gives light to the eyes. The fear of the LORD is pure. It stands

forever. The just decrees of the LORD are truth. They are altogether righteous.

Congregation responds "How Precious is the Book Divine" Christian Worship 284 st. 1

How precious is the Book divine, by inspiration giv'n! Bright as a lamp its doctrines shine to guide our souls to heav'n.

P: Yes, by them your servant is warned. In keeping them there is great reward. Who can recognize his errors? Declare me innocent of hidden sins. Restrain your servant also from deliberate sins. Do not let them rule over me. Then I will be blameless. Then I will be innocent of great rebellion.

Congregation responds "How Precious is the Book Divine" Christian Worship 284 st. 3

It shows to us our wand'ring ways and where our feet have trod, But brings to view the matchless grace of a forgiving God.

P: May the speech from my mouth and the thoughts of my heart be pleasing to you, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.

Epistle 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

¹⁸For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved, it is the power of God. ¹⁹In fact, it is written:

I will destroy the wisdom of the wise;

the intelligence of the intelligent I will bring to nothing.

²⁰Where is the wise man? Where is the expert in the Jewish law? Where is the probing thinker of the present age? Has God not shown that the wisdom of this world is foolish? ²¹Indeed, since the world through its wisdom did not know God, God in his wisdom decided to save those who believe, through the foolishness of the preached message. ²²Yes, Jews ask for signs,

Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified—which is offensive to Jews and foolishness to Greeks, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵We preach Christ crucified, because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

Children's Message

"Keep It Simple"

Verse of the Day

P: Teach me your statutes. With my lips I tell about all the judgments that come from your mouth. I rejoice in the way that is taught by your testimonies as much I delight in all riches. I will meditate on your precepts, and I will consider your paths. In your statutes I delight. I will not forget your words.

Congregation responds "Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear" Christian Worship 282 st. 1-2

Lord, open now my heart to hear, And through your Word to me draw near. Let me your Word e'er pure retain; Let me your child and heir remain.

Your Word inspires my heart within; Your Word grants healing from my sin. Your Word has pow'r to guide and bless; Your Word brings peace and happiness.

Gospel *John* 2:13–22

The Jewish Passover was near, so Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

¹⁴In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and money changers sitting at tables. ¹⁵He made a whip of cords and drove everyone out of the temple courts, along with the sheep and oxen. He scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶To those selling doves he

said, "Get these things out of here! Stop turning my Father's house into a place of business!"

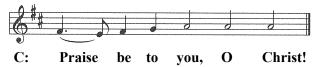
¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

¹⁸So the Jews responded, "What sign are you going to show us to prove you can do these things?"

¹⁹Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up again."

²⁰The Jews said, "It took forty-six years to build this temple! And you are going to raise it in three days?" ²¹But Jesus was speaking about the temple of his body. ²²When Jesus was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this. Then they believed the Scripture and what Jesus had said.

P: This is the Word of our God! Sanctify us by your truth; your Word is truth!



Hymn of the Day

"Enslaved by Sin and Bound in Chains" Christian Worship 102

Sermon

Exodus 20:1-17

"I AM the LORD, Your GOD!"

Who rejects disobedience Who blesses obedience Who is ready to show mercy

The Confession of Faith

(We will join in the words of the Nice\ne Creed)

C: 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
worshiped 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!

Pray, Praise, and Give Thanks!

Prayers for the Lord's Blessings

Special Prayers and Requests
Prayer for Those Receiving the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Prayer: (spoken with the 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 of Preparation

"Here, O My Lord, I See You" Christian Worship 315 st. 1, 3-4

Here, O my Lord, I see you face to face; Here would I touch and handle things unseen, Here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace, And all my weariness upon you lean.

I have no help but yours nor do I need Another arm but yours to lean upon. It is enough, O Lord, enough indeed; My strength is in your might, your might alone.

Mine is the sin but yours the righteousness; Mine is the guilt but yours the cleansing blood. Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace; Your blood, your righteousness, O Lord, my God.



The Sacrament

P: The Lord be with you.



C: And al—so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.



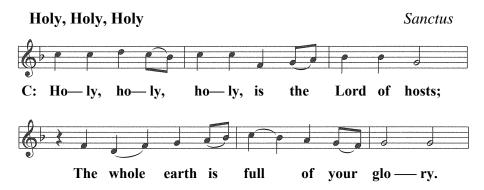
C: We lift them up to the Lord.

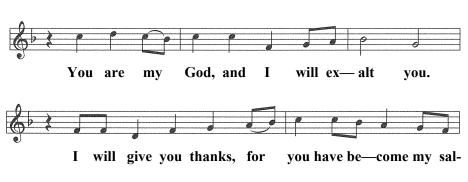
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: Give praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He made his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world. Now have come the salvation, the power, the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks, honor and glory for ever and ever.









The Words of Institution:

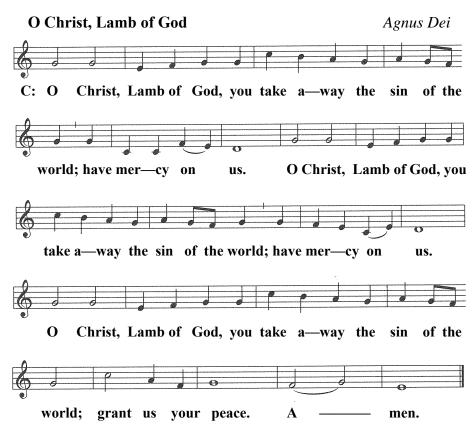
P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying: "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The Blessing of Peace;

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





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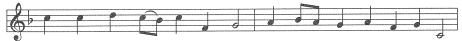
The Lord's Supper is a Sacrament through which Jesus Christ our Savior strengthens our faith and forgives our sins. In it we receive His actual body and blood, as we receive the bread and the wine. If you have not communed with us before or if you are not familiar with our procedure, please do not come to the Lord's Table today. We also encourage you to speak with our pastor following the service. He will be happy to share with you the necessary preparations to receive our Savior's body and blood in a future service.

Our request comes out of love for you and concern for your spiritual well-being, so that you can receive the blessing our Lord wants you to receive.

Thanksgiving

Song of Thanksgiving

(Congregation rises and sings)



Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re- news his prom- is- es and leads his peo- ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al—le—lu—ia! Al—le—lu — ia!

Closing Prayer:

P: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day in the newness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Benediction:

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.



Closing Hymn

"Renew Me, O Eternal Light"

Christian Worship 471

Silent Prayer Announcements

Today - Welcome in our Savior's Name! May the blessing of our faithful Savior, and the strength which comes from the Gospel, lead you to cherish his pure Word. If you are visiting us this morning, please sign our guest book, and visit us again—soon!

- Everyone is invited to stay after the service to enjoy a cup of coffee and the gift of fellowship in the Lord.
- Christian Education will follow at 11:00 am. The lesson reminds us of the importance of "Wisdom that Saves."

Monday—Handbell choir practice at 7:00 pm. Please note we will meet in the church this evening.

Tuesday—Our Redeemer will be used as a precinct polling place throughout the day.

• The Church Council will meet in the Church at 7:00 pm. Committee meetings will follow as needed at 8:00 pm.

Wednesday—Mid-week Lenten Worship at 7:00 pm. We will continue with the series—"The Misery of Mankind and the Mercy of Jesus." This evening we will rejoice to know "Hearts Once Polluted are Now Purified."

Friday—Office hours from 10:30—2:30 pm.

Saturday—Clean: Schueler

- Mowing beginning March 3rd—J. Schroeder
- LWMS Spring Rally at Calvary, Canyon Country (Santa Clarita). Please see the announcement for more information.

Sunday, March 10th—In-person worship and live-streaming at 9:30 am. The Lord is the same yesterday, today, and forever. He never changes, and the way he deals with sinners never changes. He calls for repentance, then in his mercy, he offers full and free forgiveness. It is because of the way the Lord works with us that we come to him to find peace.

 Christian Education will follow the service and will review the familiar words from Ephesians 2:8-10.

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