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The Order of Worship

Pre-Service Music

Opening Hymn

“Alleluia! Let Praises Ring”
Christian Worship 241

God Places His Name on Us

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 by faith, receive the God’s gracious invitation: “Come now, let us reason together,” says the LORD. “Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.” *Isaiah 1:18*

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.

God Forgives Us for Jesus’ Sake

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has sent his Son into the world to secure forgiveness and life for all people. Rejoice because God has revealed Jesus as that Savior and has shown us mercy: “Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him and he will bring justice to the nations. He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. A bruised reed he will not break

and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth.” *Isaiah 42:1-4*

Rejoice that righteousness and peace have been established. Rejoice that through Jesus’ precious work, and by his authority, all your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

We Rejoice in Our Forgiveness

C: “I will praise you, O LORD. Although you were angry with me, your anger has turned away and you have comforted me. Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The LORD, the LORD, is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. With joy I will draw water from the wells of salvation.” *Isaiah 12:1-4*

Song of Praise

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



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are



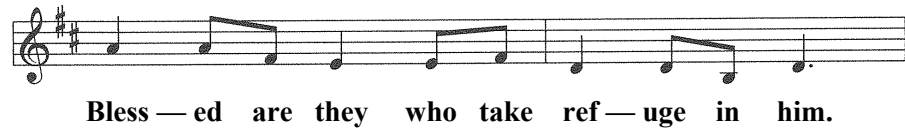
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e—



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Prayer for the Day

P: O gracious Lord and Savior, you have prepared a rich banquet to which you invite us. It has the finest of fares all offered for our blessing. Send us your Holy Spirit that we recognize and receive this invitation for what it truly is. Let nothing bring us greater satisfaction than filling ourselves with what you offer. Certainly we know the world will try to deceive us with what it offers. Give us the discretion to realize what is better. Fill us with joy as we are nourished and strengthened by you. Support us in this life until we arrive at your heavenly feast. There we will sit with you, and praise you for your undeserved love and mercy. There we will glorify you together with your Father and the Spirit—throughout endless ages.



The Lessons from God's Word

"God has Given Us Food for Eternal Life!"

Old Testament

Proverbs 9:1-6

¹Wisdom has built her house.
She has carved out her seven pillars.
²She has prepared her meat.
She has mixed her wine.
She has already set her table.

³She has sent out her servant girls.
 She calls from the highest point in the city,
⁴“Whoever is naïve, let him turn in here.”
 To someone who lacks sense she says,
⁵“Come, eat my food,
 and drink the wine that I have mixed.
⁶Abandon your naïve ways and live.
 Travel the road to understanding.”

Psalm for the Day

Psalm 111

Refrain

Sing to the Lord a new song, for
 he has done mar - vel - ous things.

Psalm tone

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Great are the works | of the LORD; *
 they are pondered by all who de- | light in them.

Glorious and majestic | are his deeds; *
 and his righteousness endures for- | ever.

He has caused his wonders to be re- | membered; *
 the LORD is gracious com- | passionate.

Refrain

The works of his hands are faith- | ful and just; *
 all his precepts are trust- | worthy.

He provided redemption for his | people; *

he ordained his covenant for- | ever.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of | wisdom; *
all who follow his precepts have good under- | standing.

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.

Refrain

Epistle

1 Corinthians 2:6–16

⁶Yet we do speak wisdom among those who are mature, but it is not a wisdom of this world or of the rulers of this world, who are being reduced to nothing. ⁷Instead we speak God’s wisdom that has been hidden in mystery—before the ages, God foreordained that this wisdom would result in our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this world knew it. (If they had known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.) ⁹But as it is written:

What no eye has seen and no ear has heard
and no human mind has conceived—

that is what God has prepared for those who love him.

¹⁰But God revealed it to us through his Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God. ¹¹Indeed, who among men knows a man’s thoughts except the man’s spirit within him? So also, no one else knows God’s thoughts except God’s Spirit.

¹²What we received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we might know the blessings freely given to us by God. ¹³We also speak about these things, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in words taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual truths with spiritual words. ¹⁴However, an unspiritual person does not accept the truths taught by God’s Spirit, because they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually evaluated. ¹⁵But the spiritual person evaluates all things, and he himself is evaluated by no one. ¹⁶Indeed, “Who has known the mind of the Lord? Who

will instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

Theme for the Day

P: My son, do not forget my teaching. Let your heart keep my commands, because they will add long days and many years to your life, and peace and prosperity will come to you. Do not allow mercy and truth to leave you. Fasten them around your neck. Write them on the tablet of your heart. Then you will find favor and approval in the eyes of God and man. Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

Alleluia!



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



These words are writ—ten that we may be—lieve that



Je—sus is the Christ, the Son — of God.



Al—le—lu—ia! Al—le—lu—ia! Al—le—lu—ia!

The Gospel

John 6:35-51

“¹I am the Bread of Life,” Jesus told them. “The one who comes to me will never be hungry, and the one who believes in

me will never be thirsty. ³⁶But I said to you that you have also seen me, and you do not believe. ³⁷Everyone the Father gives me will come to me, and the one who comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do my will, but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me: that I should lose none of those he has given me, but raise them up on the Last Day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of my Father: that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life. And I will raise him up on the Last Day.”

⁴¹So the Jews started grumbling about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They asked, “Isn’t this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? So how can he say, ‘I have come down from heaven’?”

⁴³Jesus answered them, “Stop grumbling among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the Last Day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, ‘They will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from him comes to me. ⁴⁶I am not saying that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God. He is the one who has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Amen, Amen, I tell you: The one who believes in me has eternal life.

⁴⁸“I am the Bread of Life. ⁴⁹Your fathers ate manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that anyone may eat it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats this bread, he will live forever. The bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

Children’s Message

“Come and Get It!”

Prayer for the Word

P: Feed your children, God most holy;
Comfort sinners poor and lowly.
Jesus, Bread of Life from heaven,
Bless the food you here have given.

As these gifts the body nourish,
May our souls in graces flourish
Till with saints in heavenly splendor
At your feast due thanks we render.

P: This is the Word of God—



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day “God Loved the World So that He Gave”
Christian Worship 391

Sermon *1 Corinthians 2:6-16*

“Look at What God has Prepared for Those Who Love Him!”

He gives a wisdom which leads to glory
He gives a spirit which seeks blessing
He gives a mind which knows Christ

The Confession of Faith
(we 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.**

Pray, Praise, and Give Thanks

Prayer for the Lord's Blessing
Special Prayers and Requests

The Lord's Prayer

**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

“This is the Threefold Truth”
Christian Worship 406

Closing Prayer

P: O gracious Lord and giver of every good and complete gift, we are overwhelmed at the great love you have shown us. You provide us with every temporal gift we need for life in this world. Even more important, you give us what we need spiritually. Your

Word, that life-giving food, sustains and strengthens us. It is also our confidence of the great commitment you have for our care, a care shown most clearly in Jesus our Savior. Continue to bless us, strengthen us, and keep us safe until we are blessed with the gift of heaven. There we will praise you—Father, Son, and Spirit—for your undeserved love, your never-failing presence, and your blessing which knows no end.



C: A — men.

The Benediction

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace; live in harmony with one another; serve the Lord in 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 his favor; and

give you peace.



C: A — men. A — men. A — men.

Closing Hymn

“When All Your Mercies, O My God”

Christian Worship 259

Silent Prayer

Announcements . . .

Today - *Welcome in the name of our good and gracious God!*

How can we ever thank the Lord sufficiently for the great things he has prepared for us—the ones who love him. If you are

visiting this morning, please sign a visitor card of the guest book.

Also, return and worship again, soon!

- Christian Education will follow the service and will review

the Old Testament lesson of “wisdom’s” invitation.”

- Coffee will be served following the service. Stay and enjoy time with your friends and family in the Lord!
- Worship and Song at Wood Glen 4:00 pm

Thursday—Office hours from 10:00 am—2:30 pm.

Friday—Work day to spread bark in playground area. We will start around 10:00 am. If you have a rake or shovel bring it along. An extra wheel barrel will also be helpful.

Saturday—Clean: Florez

- Lawn mowing beginning August 25th—C. Schueler

Sunday, August 25th—End of Summer Worship and Barbeque at 10:30 am. Please note the change in time and format for this Sunday. Also, please check to see what you can bring. Even more important, invite your friends and neighbors to come to this special event and worship service.

- There will be no Christian Education this Sunday.

Thank You

To Al Todd, our Hymnsoft operator; to Jim Everson for monitoring the sound; to Josh Schueler for controlling the live stream; to Emily Proeber for placing flowers on the altar—to the glory of God, and in thanksgiving for his many blessings.

New Meditations

The next installment of Meditations is available either from the basket in the back, or from the mail box by the office door. The starting date is September 1st. There are also extra copies to share with a friend or neighbor.



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