

THE LORD'S DAY MORNING

NOVEMBER 18, 2018

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship

Come to the waters, whoever is thirsty; drink from the Fountain that never runs dry. Jesus, the Living One, offers you mercy, life more abundant in boundless supply. Come to the Savior, the God of salvation. God has provided an end to sin's strife. Why will you suffer the Law's condemnation? Take the free gift of the water of life. (James M. Boice)

God Calls His People into Worship

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods. (Psalm 95:1-3)

*God's People Respond in Praise

Hymn 660

"O God Beyond All Praising"

*Prayer of Adoration

God's People Confess Their Faith WSC 2 & 3

Q. 2. What rule has God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy Him?

A. The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy Him.

Q. 3. What do the Scriptures principally teach?

A. The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God, and what duty God requires of man.

God Calls His People to Repentance

Cursed be anyone who does not confirm the words of this law by doing them. (Deuteronomy 27:26)

God's People Confess Their Sin

O Lord our God, You are absolutely pure, holy, and transcendent; You are sovereign over Your creation. We confess we have not done our duty; we have violated the words of Your Law and the principles of Your Commandments. We confess we have been quite successful in doing exactly what we want: we have been lured and enticed by our own desires. We have not rejoiced over the good of our neighbors, we have not been ready to receive a good report, but gleefully passed on an evil report about our neighbors. we have been not slow

to speak of our own glory, but we have been sluggards at studying and practicing what is true, honest, and lovely. We have been quick to condemn the sins of others and quick to excuse our own lack of holiness. O Father, forgive us for our sinful hearts and our sinful desires; pardon our sinful actions, cover our guilt, for we take refuge in Your Son.

Silent Confession

God Declares the Good News of Our Forgiveness in Christ

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree"—so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith. (Galatians 3:13-14)

*God's People Praise Him for Forgiveness in Christ

Hymn 305

"Arise, My Soul, Arise"

God's People Respond by the Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (Matt. 6:19-21)

Offertory

God Calls His People to Cast Their Cares Upon Him

As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear Him. For He knows our frame; He remembers that we are dust. (Psalm 103:14-15)

*Hymn of Preparation

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"Psalm 3"

God Speaks to His People through His Word

Psalm 3

God Feeds His People through His Word

Rev. Ryan Biese

"Praying On the Run"

*Hymn of Response

Insert

"Isaiah 43"

*Benediction

*We invite you to stand, if you are able.