

January 14, 2018

## **Welcome & Announcements**

### **Votum & Salutation**

"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all."

### **Call To Worship: Revelation 5:5-10**

" "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth.""

### **Prayer of Adoration**

#### **Congregational Singing: O Great God of Highest Heaven**

O great God of highest heaven  
Occupy my lowly heart  
Own it all and reign supreme  
Conquer every rebel power  
Let no vice or sin remain  
That resists Your holy war  
You have loved and purchased me  
Make me Yours forevermore

I was blinded by my sin  
Had no ears to hear Your voice  
Did not know Your love within  
Had no taste for heaven's joys  
Then Your Spirit gave me life  
Opened up Your Word to me  
Through the gospel of Your Son  
Gave me endless hope and peace

Help me now to live a life  
That's dependent on Your grace  
Keep my heart and guard my soul  
From the evils that I face  
You are worthy to be praised  
With my every thought and deed  
O great God of highest heaven  
Glorify Your Name through me

### **Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended to 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 catholic\* church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*\*that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places*

## **Reading of the Law: The Ten Commandments**

And God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

"You shall have no other gods before me.

"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

"You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

"You shall not murder.

"You shall not commit adultery.

"You shall not steal.

"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's." Exodus 20:1-17

## **Prayer of Confession**

### **Assurance of Pardon: 1 John 1:9**

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

## **Worship God By Giving**

### **Tithes & Offering**

\*Children 4 and younger are dismissed to nursery

## **Hymn of Response**

### **Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I've come;  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand'ring from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor, Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my feeble heart to Thee.  
"Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it," Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

### **Christ, We Do All Adore Thee**

Christ, we do all adore Thee, and we do praise Thee forever.  
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For on the holy cross Hast thou the world from sin redeemed.  
Christ, we do all adore Thee, and we do praise Thee forever.  
Christ, we do all adore Thee.

## **Pastoral Prayer**

**Reading of Scripture:** I Timothy 4:1-5

**Sermon:** "The Plain Facts of Apostasy"

**Closing Hymn:** The Doxology (unaccompanied)

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

## **Benediction**

**SCRIPTURE**  
**I Timothy 4:1-5**

**OUTLINE**

- I. The Features of Apostasy**
  - A. Doctrine & Departure**
  
  - B. Promised & Present**
  
  - C. Subtle & Spiritual**
  
- II. The Fruits of Apostasy**
  - A. Insincerity**
  
  - B. Lies**
  
  - C. Seared Conscience**
  
- III. The Fundamentals of Apostasy**
  
- IV. The Folly of Apostasy**
  - A. It Cannot Understand God's Good Creation**
  
  - B. It Denies God's Gracious Redemption**