Morning Worship

August 16, 2020, 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. Trinity Season

The order of worship for the evening service begins on page 6 of this booklet.

Preparation for Morning Worship

For the first time since February, we have the privilege today of celebrating the sacrament of Christian baptism. Though we will be celebrating it differently than we have grown accustom, we are beyond thankful for the technology that has enabled us to enjoy this sacrament with our church family!

Unbaptized adults who profess faith in Jesus are urged to receive baptism. We also strongly encourage believing parents to bring their infants for baptism. In doing so, parents exercise simple faith in the profound promise of God who declares that He will not only be our God, but also the God of our children after us (e.g. Acts 2:39; Genesis 17:7).

All that is celebrated in the life of an adult who believes is prayerfully anticipated in a life of an infant child who is baptized. We celebrate and anticipate such realities as the cleansing from sin. The pouring of water upon the head dramatized the gospel of Christ's blood that cleanses and the Holy Spirit than renews. Infant baptism also reminds us that families are the crucial incubators of love for our Lord who initiates and accomplishes our salvation.

You can actively participate in these baptisms today by gladly remembering all the benefits that accrue to you as a baptized follower of Jesus:

- You are united to Jesus Christ in his death, burial, and resurrection.
- Your sins have been washed away and forgiven by His blood.
- You have been regenerated and adopted into God's family by the Spirit.
- You have been admitted into Christ's church.
- You have been promised a resurrection unto eternal life.

Therefore, renew your commitment to live unreservedly for your Lord and resolve to make great the Name of our triune God that was pronounced over you at your baptism.



Praise the Rock of Our Salvation

O man, weep for your great sins because of which Christ left his Father's bosom and came upon the earth; From a young woman, pure and gentle, He was born here for us. He wanted to become our mediator, to the dead He gave life and removed in this way all sickness Until the time came when He was sacrificed for us, bore the heavy burden of our sins for a long time on the cross. Samuel Metzger, organ For the protection of our community during the pandemic, singing along to hymns is discouraged. Words: John Mason Neale / Music: Henry T. Smart; arr. Metzger / Isaiah 28:16 Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, Chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one; Holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone. To this temple, where we call Thee, come, O Lord of hosts, today: With Thy wonted loving-kindness hear Thy people as they pray; And Thy fullest benediction shed within its walls alway. Here vouch-safe to all Thy servant what they ask of Thee to gain, What they gain from Thee forever with the blessed to retain, And hereafter in Thy glory evermore with Thee to reign. Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One, One in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run. **†INVOCATION**

 \$STATEMENT OF FAITH
 Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 98-100

 What is prayer? Prayer is offering our desires to God in the name of Christ for things that agree with His will, confessing our sins, and thankfully recognizing His mercies. How does God direct us to pray? The whole word of God, but especially the Lord's prayer, which Christ taught His disciples, directs our prayers. What does the beginning of the Lord's prayer teach us? The beginning of the Lord's prayer (Our Father in heaven) teaches us to draw near to God with completely holy reverence and confidence, as children to a father who is able and ready to help us. It also teaches that we should pray with and for others. These questions will be the topic of the sermon this evening. ♦DOXOLOGYOLD HUNDREDTH Words: Thomas Ken / Psalm 150 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him, above ye heav'nly host:

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Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

Robert Graves Russell, born September 29, 2019, son of Katelyn and Warner Russell

Hill Stewart Couch, born November 1, 2017, son of Virginia and Chase Couch

Walker Perry Couch, born August 9, 2019, son of Virginia and Chase Couch

Bowen Patrick Cross, born August 5, 2019, son of Meg and Mac Cross

Jesus loves you, this we know, for the Bible tells us so; little ones to Him belong, you are weak but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells us so.

TRUST THE ROCK OF OUR SALVATION

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Covenant God, we humbly confess that we are an anxious, fearful people.

We do not trust You as we should:

we are slow to seek You in prayer, weak in perseverance,

and quick to forget the faithfulness of Your power and providence.

We try to manipulate and scheme instead of resting in Your promises and love.

Forgive us for the folly of self-preservation and self-trust.

Forgive us for doubting Your goodness.

Forgive us for being conformed to this world

and for placing our trust in possessions, power, and the wisdom of man.

Renew our minds and hearts that we might walk by faith and not by sight.

By your mercy, keep us steadfastly devoted to Christ

and cause us to endure to the end, that we might receive your great salvation.

For we pray in the strong name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. Isaiah 1:18

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 like crimson, they shall become like wool.

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

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Music: John Stainer / John 3:16-17

God so loved the world, God so loved the world,

That He gave His only begotten Son, That whoso believeth, believeth in Him

Should not perish, should not perish but have everlasting life.

For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world,

God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world;

But that the world through Him might be saved.

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Should not perish, should not perish but have everlasting life, everlasting life, everlasting, everlasting life.

God so loved the world, God so loved the world, God so loved the world.

The Chancel Choir Calvin Ellis, director

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Returning to Campus for Evening Worship: Sunday Night Worship returns to the Sanctuary tonight at 6:00 p.m. A live stream of the service will continue at 2pc.org/live for those unable to attend at this time.

Congregational Meeting: The Session has called the congregation to meet on August 23 at the 8:15 and 11:00 a.m. worship services to approve the slate of 2021 officer nominees for training and to hear a report from the Staff Committee.

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN Children, please listen from your pew.

HEAR THE ROCK OF OUR SALVATION

PRAYER FOR EDUCATORS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words: Richard Bewes / Music: Eric Coates, arr. John Barnard / Psalm 46

God is our strength and refuge, our present help in trouble; And we therefore will not fear, though the earth should change! Though mountains shake and tremble, though swirling floods are raging, God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore!

There is a flowing river, within God's holy city; God is in the midst of her—she shall not be moved! God's help is swiftly given, thrones vanish at His presence— God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore!

Come, see the works of our Maker, learn of His deeds all pow'rful; Wars will cease across the world when He shatters the spear! Be still and know your Creator, uplift Him in the nations—God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore!

SCRIPTURE LESSON. Psalm 40

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns. The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the

earth melts. The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth. He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; the burns the chariots with fire. "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!" The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

The grass withers, the flower fades,

but the Word of our God will stand forever. (Isaiah 40:8)

I. God's Power II. God's Presence III. God's Victory PRAYER OF COMMITMENT Music: John Rutter / Numbers 6:24-26 The Lord bless you and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen. **†**BENEDICTION ♦GOSPEL AMEN CCLI License #252778 ♦Indicates congregation standing

> The Chancel Choir: Jauna Ellis, Jennifer Brandon, Tabitha Wadkins, Beth Fischer, Mandy Webb, Shelbie Pittman, Coburn James, James Ryan, Justin Wadkins, Gregory Mason

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CALL TO WORSHIP

For the protection of our community during the pandemic, singing along to hymns is discouraged.

HALLELUJAH, YOU'RE WORTHY TO BE PRAISED!

Hallelujah, You're worthy to be praised!

I lift my hands, I praise You, Lord. I bow my head, I honor You, Lord.

Hallelujah, You're worthy! Hallelujah, we praise Your name!

Hallelujah, so worthy. Hallelujah, Lord we lift You up!

Lord, we lift You up!

Words and Music: Judith McAllister / Psalm 18:3

†INVOCATION

OUR GREAT GOD

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown; Your boundless love, unfailing, in grace and mercy shown. Bright seraphim in ceaseless flight around Your glorious throne; They raise their voices day and night in praise to You alone.

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm, Surround us with Your angels, hold us in Your arms, Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm. Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee before our sov'reign God.

Let ev'ry creature in the sea and ev'ry flying bird, Let ev'ry mountain, ev'ry field, and valley of the earth; Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe Sing praises to the living God who rules them by His word.

Words and Music: Mac Powell and Fernando Ortega; arr. Allen Tuten / Revelation 19:1

♦PASTORAL PRAYER

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SCRIPTURE LESSON....Luke 11:5-13

And he said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. And I tell you, ask, and sit will be given to you;

seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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I. Freedom in Prayer

II. Confidence in Prayer

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

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INVITATION TO THE TABLE

This is the Lord's table. All who profess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are invited to receive communion. If this is not your faith, we would still encourage you to walk forward, knowing that no one will make you take the elements. Any of our elders or pastors will be happy to talk to you about questions or doubts you have about faith in Christ. We encourage children not to take communion until they have joined the church but do welcome them to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come forward, please raise your hand and an elder will serve you in your seat. All communion wafers are gluten free.

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

JESUS PAID IT ALL

I hear the Savior say, "Your strength indeed is small, Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me your all in all."

Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find Thy pow'r, and Thine alone, Can change the leper's spots and melt the heart of stone.

And when before the throne, I stand in Him complete, Jesus died my soul to save, my lips shall still repeat.

O praise the One who paid my debt and raised this life up from the dead.

Words: Elvina Hall, Sovereign Grace Music / Isaiah 1:18

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

†BENEDICTION

GOSPEL AMEN

Singers: Jauna Ellis, Kristin Jones, Mandy Webb, Haleigh Boykin, Shelbie Pittman, Chris Pruett, Gregory Mason, Calvin Ellis Band: Joe Mariencheck, David Pruitt, Koleton Williams, Claude Hinds, Samuel Metzger

