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Prelude

Welcome

To all who are weary and need rest;

To all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares;

To all who fail and desire strength;

To all who sin and need a Savior;

To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;

And to whoever will come-

This Church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Call to Worship Ephesians 1:3-6

Minister: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his alorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

Let us praise his glorious grace together!

Hymn of Praise

O Worship The King

O worship the King all glorious above And gratefully sing his wonderful love Our Shield and Defender the Ancient of Days Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise

O tell of his might and sing of his grace Whose robe is the light whose canopy space His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form And dark is his path on the wings of the storm

Frail children of dust and feeble as frail In thee do we trust nor find thee to fail Thy mercies how tender how firm to the end Our Maker Defender Redeemer and Friend

All hail to the King in splendor enthroned Glad praises we bring thy wonders make known Returning victorious great conqueror of sin King Jesus all glorious our vict'ry will win

Invocation

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.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father
And to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning
Is now and ever shall be
World without end
Amen Amen

Affirmation of Faith The Heidelberg Catechism Q/A 26

Minister: Who is God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

All: [God is] the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ his Son.

I trust him so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and he will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends me in this sad world. He is able to do this because he is almighty God; he desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.

Redeemed, Restored, Forgiven

Once on a dreary mountain
We wandered far and wide
Far from the cleansing fountain
Far from the pierced side
But Jesus sought and found us
And washed our guilt away
With cords of love he bound us
To be his own today

Chorus

Redeemed restored forgiven Through Jesus' precious blood Heirs of his home in heaven Oh praise our pardoning God

Dear Lord receive the glory
Of each recovered soul
Oh who can tell the story
Of love that made us whole
Not ours not ours the merit
Be yours alone the praise
And ours a thankful spirit
To serve you all our days

Chorus

Now keep us holy Savior
In your true love and fear
And grant us by your favor
The grace to persevere
Till in your new creation when
Earth meets heaven's shore
We find our full salvation
And praise you evermore

Redeemed restored forgiven Through Jesus' precious blood Heirs of his home in heaven Oh praise our God Redeemed restored forgiven Through Jesus' precious blood Heirs of his home in heaven Oh praise our pardoning God Praise our God

Call to Confession

Exodus 20:8-11

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q/A 57-59: 62

Minister: What is the fourth commandment?

People:

The fourth commandment is: 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. (Exodus 20:8-11)

Minister: What is required in the fourth commandment?

People: The fourth commandment requires the keeping holy to God such set times as he has appointed in his Word; expressly one

whole day in seven, to be a holy Sabbath to himself.

Minister: Which day of the seven has God appointed to be the weekly Sabbath?

People:

From the beginning of the world to the resurrection of Christ, God appointed the seventh day of the week to be the weekly Sabbath; and the first day of the week ever since, to continue to the end of the world, which is the Christian Sabbath.

Minister: What are the reasons annexed to the fourth commandment?

People:

The reasons annexed to the fourth commandment are - God's allowing us six days of the week for our own employments; his challenging a special propriety in the seventh; his own example; and his blessing the Sabbath day.

Public Confession

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All:

Our God in heaven, if you should mark iniquities, who could stand? We know that if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. Not one of us does good, no, not one. We have stiffened our necks against your will, hardened our hearts to your Word, refused to hear your voice, pulled away from your loving embrace, despised correction, and forgotten you in our thoughts. Yes, we have sinned against you. Father, we repent. We come to Christ, who has promised rest for our souls. We take his yoke upon us. We desire to learn from him. Grant that we may bring forth the fruits of repentance from sincere hearts, which are precious in your sight. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Ephesians 1:7

Minister: In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace.

Hear and receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

Psalm 27, The Lord Is My Salvation

The grace of God has reached for me And pulled me from the raging sea And I am safe on this solid ground The Lord is my salvation

I will not fear when darkness falls His strength will help me scale these walls I'll see the dawn of the rising sun The Lord is my salvation

Chorus

Who is like the Lord our God Strong to save faithful in love My debt is paid and the victory won The Lord is my salvation

My hope is hidden in the Lord He flow'rs each promise of his Word When winter fades I know spring will come The Lord is my salvation

In times of waiting times of need When I know loss when I am weak I know his grace will renew these days The Lord is my salvation

Chorus

And when I reach the final day He will not leave me in the grave But I will rise he will call me home The Lord is my salvation

Chorus

Glory be to God the Father Glory be to God the Son Glory be to God the Spirit The Lord is our salvation

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Pastoral Prayer

Tithes And Offerings

Musical Offering

The Doxology

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 Amen

Prayer Of Dedication

Sermon

"A Privileged Life"

Romans 5:1-11 Dr. Sinclair Ferguson

Closing Song

When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride

Forbid it Lord that I should boast Save in the death of Christ my God All the vain things that charm me most I sacrifice them to his blood

See from his head his hands his feet Sorrow and love flow mingled down Did e'er such love and sorrow meet Or thorns compose so rich a crown

Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were a present far too small
Love so amazing so divine
Demands my soul my life my all

Benediction

Postlude

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