



# Lord's Day Service

*At Church of the King on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024*

*The 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time*

*"How sweet are Your words to my taste, Sweeter than honey to my mouth!" Psalms 119:103*

## *Hear Today's Call to Worship From God's Word*

*"Oh come, let us sing to Jehovah! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. For Jehovah is the great God, And the great King above all gods. In His hand are the deep places of the earth; the heights of the hills are His also. The sea is His, for He made it; and His hands formed the dry land. Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before Jehovah our Maker"*  
*Psalm 95:1-7*

### **God's People Respond with a Hymn of Adoration:** (Based on Psalm 145:10)

O worship the King all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing his power and His love.  
Our shield and defender, the ancient of days,  
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

The earth with its store of wonders untold  
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old;  
Hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree  
And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

### **Salutation and Response:** [based on Matthew 28:19, Ruth 2:4 and Psalm 103:13]

*In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit*

**Amen!**

*Jehovah be with you!*

**And also with you!**

*As a father has compassion on his children,*

**So Jehovah has compassion on those who fear Him**

# *Confession of Sins: Where God Cleanses Us In Christ*

## **The Call for Confession from God's Word:**

"Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your loving kindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions, And my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned, and done this evil in Your sight-- That You may be found just when You speak, and blameless when You judge. Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin my mother conceived me."  
*Psalms 51:1-5*

## **God's People Sing our Hymn of Confession:**

[congregation standing]

### **Before Thee Let My Cry Come Near**

Psalm 119:169-176

RUSSIA (L.M.)  
 Daniel Read, 1786

*The Book of Psalms for Singing, 1973*

Melody

(Soprano) 170 Be -  
 172 Yea,

me.  
 fess.

(Alto) 170 Be - fore Thee let my  
 172 Yea, of Thy word my

(Tenor) 170 Be - fore Thee let my plead - ing come; True  
 172 Yea, of Thy word my tongue would sing, For

(Bass) 170 Be - fore Thee let my plead - ing come; True to Thy prom - ise,  
 172 Yea, of Thy word my tongue would sing, For Thy com - mands are

fore Thee let my plead - ing come; True to Thy prom - ise, res - cue me.  
 of Thy word my tongue would sing, For Thy com - mands are right - eous - ness.

plead - ing come; True to Thy prom - ise, res - cue me.  
 tongue would sing, For Thy com - mands are right - eous - ness.

to Thy prom - ise, res - cue me, True to Thy prom - ise, res - cue me.  
 Thy com - mands are right - eous - ness, For Thy com - mands are right - eous - ness.

res - cue me,  
 right - eous - ness, True to Thy prom - ise, res - cue me.  
 For Thy com - mands are right - eous - ness.

3. 173 Be ready with Thy hand to help,  
 Because Thy precepts are my choice.  
 174 I've longed for Thy salvation, LORD,  
 And in Thy holy law rejoice.

4. 175 O let Thine ordinances help;  
 My soul shall live and praise Thee yet.  
 176 A straying sheep, Thy servant, seek,  
 For Thy commands I ne'er forget.

**Silent Confession:** *"When I kept silent, my bones grew old through my groaning all the day long. For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; My vitality was turned into the drought of summer. Selah I acknowledged my sin to You, And my iniquity I have not hidden. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," And You forgave the iniquity of my sin." Psalm 32:3-5*

Those who are willing and able are invited to kneel for our time of confession.

## **Corporate Prayer of Confession:**

**Almighty God our heavenly Father. You are completely holy and just in all Your ways. In Your love You have given us every good gift, most of all the Gift of your Son Jesus. Yet we are often unthankful, and fail to love You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. In the same way, we take one another for granted, we become unthankful for the people you have lovingly brought into our lives, and we grumble and dispute, thus failing to love one another as we ought. Forgive us our sins, we beseech You, and cleanse us, for the sake of Jesus whom You sent to be our Savior and Lord. Make us a thankful people, now and throughout our lives. We ask this through the merits of our Savior, Jesus Christ. AMEN!**

## **Assurance of Pardon and Forgiveness : Psalm 51:7-12**

*"Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Make me hear joy and gladness, that the bones You have broken may rejoice. Hide Your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me by Your generous Spirit."*

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for our sins and to be raised for our justification; and for His sake forgives us all our sins. This I declare in the name and authority of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Having confessed our sins with faith in the completed work of Christ on our behalf, we are forgiven; we have been cleansed and clothed in the righteousness of Jesus. The Bible declares we are now **in Christ** and **in Him** we are in the heavenly places, in the very midst of the blessed Trinity, along with the holy angels and Saints from all the ages, from every tongue, tribe and nation prepared to worship in the beauty of holiness. **Come, let us worship the Lord!**

Come bless the Fath - er, all you ser - vants of the Son, who stand by the Spir - it in the  
House of the Lord. Lift up your hands to the Ho - ly Place and bless your God.  
May the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ bless you from Zi - on, He Who made hea - ven and earth. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Lift up your hearts!**

We lift them up un - to the Lord!

### **Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God!**

It is pro - per and right to do so.

Truly it is proper and right that we should at all times and in all places give praise to you O Lord, so with the angels and all the company of heaven and with the Church on earth, we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you & singing:

**God's People Sing a Hymn of Thanks: Tis By Thy Strength [congregation standing]**

# 'Tis by Thy Strength the Mountains Stand

RAINBOW (C.M.)  
Timothy Swan, 1788

Isaac Watts, 1719  
based on Psalm 65

1. 'Tis by Thy strength the moun-tains stand, God  
2. Thy morn-ing light and ev-'ning shade Suc-

Melody

(Soprano) The sea grows  
Thy plen-teous

of e-ter-nal pow'r; (Alto) The  
ces-sive com-forts bring; Thy

calm at Thy com-mand, And tem-pests  
fruits make har-vest glad, Thy flow'rs a-

sea grows calm  
plen-teous fruits at Thy com-mand,  
make har-vest glad,

(Tenor) The sea grows calm  
Thy plen-teous fruits at make

(Bass) The sea grows  
Thy plen-teous

cease to roar.  
dorn the spring.

And Thy tem-pests cease to roar.  
flow'rs a-dorn the spring.

Thy com-mand, And Thy tem-pests cease to roar.  
har-vest glad, Thy flow'rs a-dorn the spring.

calm fruits at Thy com-mand, And tem-pests  
make har-vest glad, Thy flow'rs a-

And Thy tem-pests cease to  
flow'rs a-dorn the

cease to roar.  
dorn the spring.

roar, And tem-pests cease to roar.  
spring, Thy flow'rs a-dorn the spring.

3. Seasons and times, and moons and hours,  
Heav'n, earth, and air are thine;  
When clouds distill their fruitful showers,  
The Author is divine.

4. Those wand'ring cisterns in the sky,  
Borne by the winds around  
With wat'ry treasures well supply  
The furrows of the ground.

5. The thirsty ridges drink their fill,  
And ranks of corn appear:  
Thy ways abound with blessings still,  
Thy goodness crowns the year.

## **The Sacrament of Baptism:**

The Ferguson Family presents **Eleonore Delphine**  
for Baptism into the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

*"Then they also brought infants to Him that He might touch them; but when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to Him and said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. "Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." Luke 18:15-17*

*"Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call." Acts 2:38, 39*

*Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ. I Corinthians 10:1-4*

### **Hymn of Thanks: *Beneath the Blood-Stained Doorpost***

*Based on Exodus 12, words attributed to Harry Ironside, sung to the tune of O Sacred Head Now Wounded*

***Beneath the blood-stained doorpost I with my children stand;  
A messenger of evil is passing through the land.  
There is no other refuge from the destroyer's face;  
Beneath the blood-stained doorpost shall be our hiding place.***

***My Savior, for my dear ones I claim Thy promise true.  
The Lamb is "for the household"—the children's Savior too.  
On earth the little children once felt Thy touch divine;  
Beneath the blood-stained doorpost Thy blessing give to mine.***

***O Thou who gave them, guard them, those wayward little feet,  
The wilderness before them, the ills of life to meet.  
My mother love is helpless, I trust them to Thy care!  
Beneath the blood-stained doorpost, oh, keep me ever there!***

## *Consecration: Where God Equips & Prepares His People*

...that He [God] would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height— to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. *Ephesians 3:16-19*

### **THE LORD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD: 1 John 4:7-5:5**

Love

[4:7] Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God;  
**And everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.**

He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

**In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him.**

In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us

**And sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.**

No one has seen God at any time.

**If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us.**

By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit.

**And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.**

And we have known and believed the love that God has for us.

**God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.**

Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world.

**There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love. We love Him because He first loved us.**

If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar;

**For he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen? And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God *must* love his brother also.**

[5:1] Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God,

**And everyone who loves Him who begot, also loves him who is begotten of Him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments.**

For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments.

**And His commandments are not burdensome. For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.**

Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

## Of the Father's Love Begotten

Aurelius Clemens Prudentius, 348 - 413

Tr. by John Mason Neale, 1818 - 1866

PRAISE, MY SOUL 8. 7. 8. 7. 8. 7.

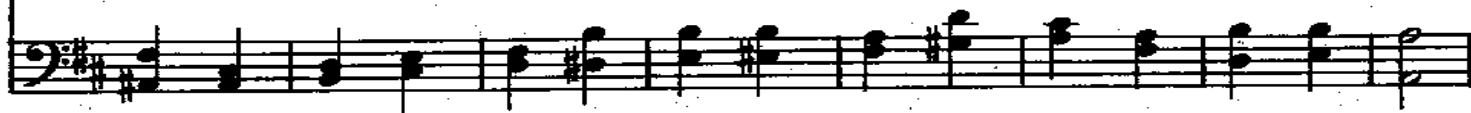
Sir John Goss, 1869



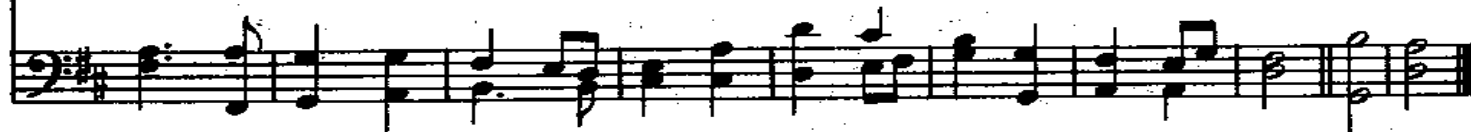
1. Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten Ere the worlds be - gan to be,
2. This is he whom heav'n-taught sing - ers Sang of old with one ac - cord,
3. O ye heights of heav'n, a - dore him; An - gel hosts, his prais-es sing;



- He is Al - pha and O - me - ga, He the source, the end - ing he,  
Whom the Script - ures of the proph - ets Prom - ised in their faith - ful word;  
All do - min - ions, bow be - fore him, And ex - tol our God and King;



- Of the things that are, that have been, And that fu - ture years shall see.  
Now he shines, the long - ex - pect - ed; Let cre - a - tion praise its Lord.  
Let no tongue on earth be si - lent, Ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring. A - MEN.



4. Thee let age and thee let manhood,  
Thee let boys in chorus sing;  
Matrons, virgins, little maidens,  
With glad voices answering;  
Let their guileless songs re-echo,  
And their heart its music bring.
5. Christ, to thee, with God the Father,  
And, O Holy Ghost, to thee,  
Hymn, and chant, and high thanksgiving,  
And unwearied praises be,  
Honor, glory, and dominion,  
And eternal victory.

## "The Gospel of Ruth" Part 6

From **Pastor Paul Liberati**

Based on **Ruth 4:1-22**

**God's People Respond with a Hymn of Faith**

**2 pages**

[congregation standing]

### And Can It Be That I Should Gain

SAGINA (L.M.D.)  
Thomas Campbell, 1825

Charles Wesley, 1738; alt.

1. And can it be that I should gain An in - t'rest  
2. 'Tis mys - t'ry all! Th'Im - mor - tal dies: Who can ex -  
3. He left His Fa - ther's throne a - bove— So free, so  
4. Long my im - pris - oned spir - it lay Fast bound in  
5. No con - dem - na - tion now I dread; Je - sus, and

in the Sav - ior's blood? Died He for me, who caused His  
plore His strange de - sign? In vain the first - born ser - aph  
in - fi - nite His grace! Hum - bled Him - self— so great His  
sin and na - ture's night; Thine eye dif - fused a quick - ning  
all in Him, is mine! A - live in Him, my liv - ing

pain? For me, who Him to death pur - sued? A - maz - ing  
tries To sound the depths of love di - vine. 'Tis mer - cy  
love! And bled for all His cho - sen race. 'Tis mer - cy  
ray; I woke, the dun - geon flamed with light; My chains fell  
Head, And clothed in right - eous - ness di - vine, Bold I ap -

And Can it Be That I Should Gain

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love! How can it be That Thou, my God, shouldst  
 all! Let earth a - dore, Let an - gel minds in -  
*all, im - mense and free; For, O my God, it*  
 off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and  
 preach th'e - ter - nal throne, And claim the crown, through

die for me?  
 quire no more. A - maz - ing love! How can it  
*found out me.*  
 fol - lowed Thee. A - maz - ing love! How  
 Christ, my own.

be That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?  
 can it be That Thou, my God,

**God Receives Our Tithes and Gifts as a Tribute Offering:** [read in unison]  
“Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was the priest of God Most High. And he blessed him and said: "Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand." And he gave him a tithe of all.” Genesis 14:18-20

**Presenting Our Tithes and Offerings:**

**With the Singing of Psalm 100:4-5 & the Doxology**

*Words composed by William Kethe, 1561*

**1: O enter then His gates with praise;  
Approach with joy His courts unto;  
Praise laud and bless His Name always,  
For it is seemly, so to do.**

**2: For why! The Lord our God is good;  
His mercy is forever sure;  
His truth at all times firmly stood,  
And shall from age to age endure.**

**3: 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.**

**The Great Prayer, Concluding With the Lord's Prayer:** Simeon Harris

*“Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.” Hebrews 4:16*

**Our Father,  
Which 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 the evil one,  
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever: AMEN**  
[Matthew 6:9-13]

*Communion: Where God Communes With His People*

*“The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ?  
The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?” 1 Corinthians 10:16*

**Preparation for Communion:** Congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Lord has prepared His table for all who love and trust Him for their salvation. All those who have repented of their sins, have been baptized in the name of the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit, and are not under discipline from Christ's Church are welcome at this table. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as our Lord our God will call.

# Our Confession of Faith - The Apostle's Creed [sung with music by Amber Bartels]

Piano

The musical score is written for piano in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of ten systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "I be-lieve in God the Fa-ther Al-migh-ty, Ma-ker of hea-ven and earth; And in Je-sus Christ, His on-ly be-got-ten Son, our Lord; Who was con-ceived by the Ho-ly Spi-rit, born of the vir-gin Ma-ry, Suf-fered un-der Pon-tius Pi-late, was dru-bi-fied, dead and bur-ied; He de-scend-ed In-to hell, the third day He rose a-gain from the dead; He as-cend-ed In-to heav-en, and sit-teth at the right hand of God the Fath-er Al-might-ty; From thence He shall come to judge the liv-ing and the dead. I be-lieve in the Ho-ly Spi-rit, I be-lieve a ho-ly cath-olic Church, the com-mun-ion of saints, the for-give-ness of sins; the re-sur-rec-tion of the bo-dy, and the life ey-er-last-ing. A-men." The score includes measure numbers 8, 16, 25, 35, 43, 52, 61, and 70. The piano part features various textures, including block chords, moving bass lines, and sustained chords.

I be-lieve in God the Fa-ther Al-migh-ty, Ma-ker of hea-ven and earth;

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heav-en, and sit-teth at the right hand of God the Fath-er Al-might-ty; From

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thence He shall come to judge the liv-ing and the dead. I be-lieve in the Ho-ly Spi-rit,

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I be-lieve a ho-ly cath-olic Church, the com-mun-ion of saints, the for-give-ness of sins; the

70  
re-sur-rec-tion of the bo-dy, and the life ey-er-last-ing. A-men.

# **THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US AT HIS TABLE:** (Peace Offering, Gift of Life)

*A Word of Encouragement -- Giving of Thanks -- Breaking of the Bread*

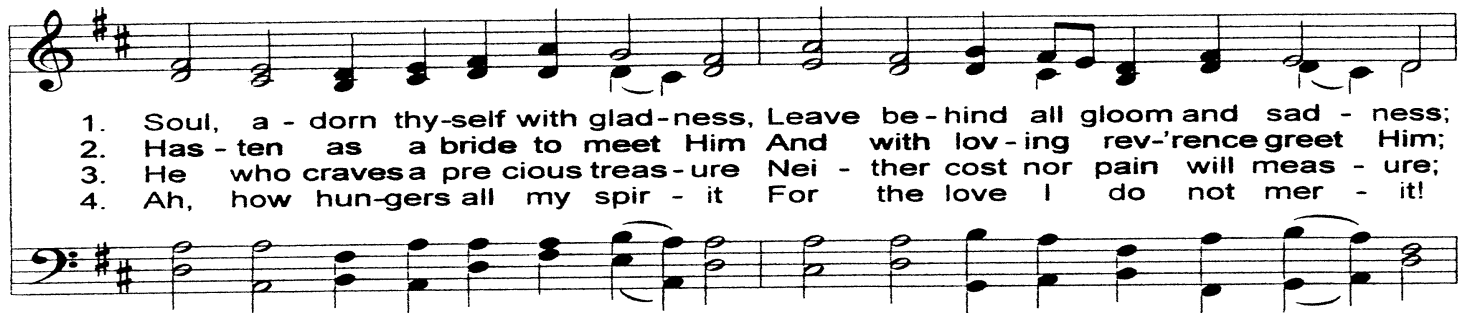
## **God's People Sing a Hymn of Thanks and Celebration:**

(Sung as a representative of each family comes forward to receive their bread and wine)

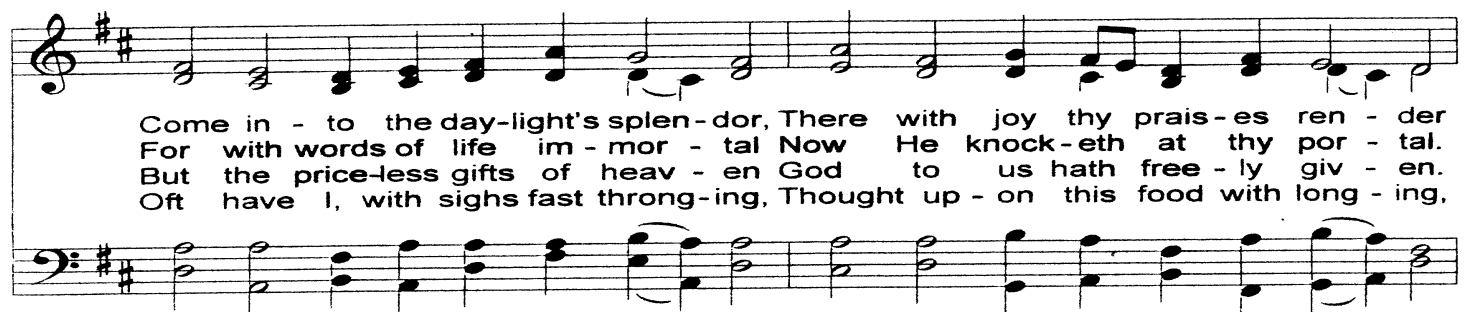
### **Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness**

SCHMÜCKE DICH (L.M.D.)  
Johann Crüger, 1649

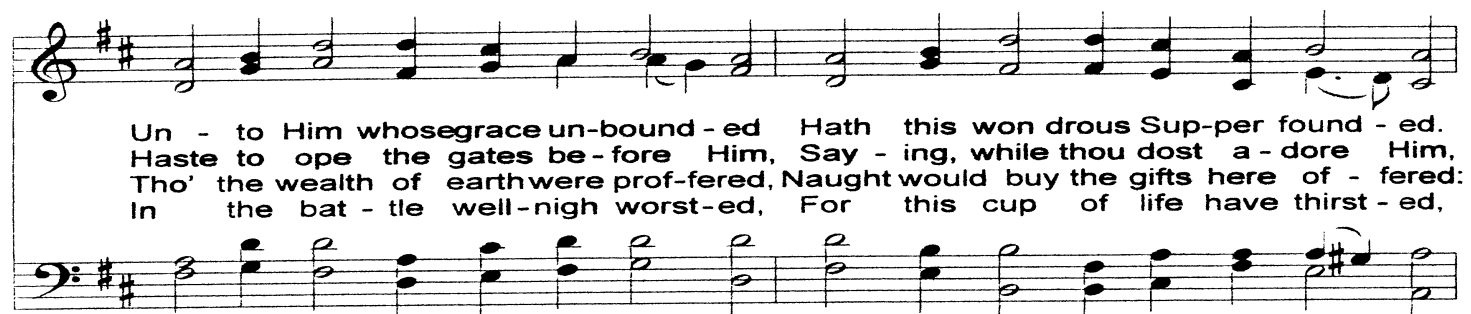
Johann Franck, 1649  
tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1858; alt.



1. Soul, a - dorn thy-self with glad-ness, Leave be - hind all gloom and sad - ness;  
2. Has - ten as a bride to meet Him And with lov - ing rev-'rence greet Him;  
3. He who craves a pre - cious treas - ure Nei - ther cost nor pain will meas - ure;  
4. Ah, how hun - gers all my spir - it For the love I do not mer - it!



Come in - to the day-light's splen - dor, There with joy thy prais - es ren - der  
For with words of life im - mor - tal Now He knock - eth at thy por - tal.  
But the price - less gifts of heav - en God to us hath free - ly giv - en.  
Oft have I, with sighs fast throng - ing, Thought up - on this food with long - ing,



Un - to Him whose grace un - bound - ed Hath this won - drous Sup - per found - ed.  
Haste to ope the gates be - fore Him, Say - ing, while thou dost a - dore Him,  
Tho' the wealth of earth were prof - ered, Naught would buy the gifts here of - fered:  
In the bat - tle well - nigh worst - ed, For this cup of life have thirst - ed,



High o'er all the heav'ns He reign - eth, Yet to dwell with thee He deign - eth.  
Suf - fer, Lord, that I re - ceive Thee, And I nev - er - more will leave Thee.  
Christ's true bod - y, for thee riv - en, And His blood, for thee once giv - en.  
For the Friend who here in - vites us And to God Him - self u - nites us.

## **Feasting At The Lord's Table:** A simple act of obedience on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of a new Week

*Partaking of the Bread Together -- Giving Thanks -- Partaking of the Wine*

*"For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes." 1 Corinthians 11:26*

# Commissioning: Where God Sends Out His People

"When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen".

[Matthew 28:17-20]

## God's People Sing a Psalm of Commissioning:

### Rise Again Ye Lion-Hearted

RISE AGAIN (8 7. 8 7. 6 6. 7 7)

James B. Jordan, 2002

from LOWEN, LASST EUCH WIEDERFINDEN

Bernard Klein, 1817

anon., 1712

tr. Martin Franzmann, 1940

1. Rise a - gain, ye li - on - heart - ed Saints of ear - ly Chris - ten - dom.  
 2. These the men by fear un - shak - en, Fac - ing dan - ger daunt - less - ly;  
 3. Great of heart, they know no turn - ing, Hon - or, gold, they laugh to scorn,  
 4. Would to God that I might e - ven As the mar - tyred saints of old,

Whith - er is your strength de - part - ed, Whith - er gone your mar - tyr - dom?  
 These no witch - ing lust hath tak - en, Lust that lures to van - i - ty.  
 Quench de - sires with - in them burn - ing, By no earth - ly pas - sion torn.  
 With the help - ing hand of Heav - en, Stead - fast stand in bat - tle bold!

Lo, love's light is on them, Glo - ry's flame up - on them,  
 Mid the roar and rat - tle Of tu - mult - ous bat - tle  
 Mid the li - ons' roar - ing Songs of praise out - pour - ing,  
 O my God, I pray Thee, In the com - bat stay me.

And their will to die doth quell E'en the lord and prince of hell.  
 In de - sire they soar a - bove All that earth would have them love.  
 Joy - ous - ly they take their stand On th'a - re - na's blood - y sand.  
 Grant that I may ev - er be Loy - al, staunch, and true to Thee.

## God Blesses His People – The Benediction:

[congregation standing]

*Then Aaron lifted up his hands toward the people and blessed them, and he came down from offering the sin offering and the burnt offering and the peace offerings. Leviticus 9:22*

**“Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful, who also will do it. “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit *be* with you all. Amen.”**

*1 Thessalonians 5:23,24 & 2 Corinthians 13:14*

## The Response to God’s Commission - Simeon’s Prayer & the Gloria Patri

Lord, now let- test Thou Thy ser- vant de- part in peace, ac- cord- ing to Thy Word:

For mine eyes have seen Thy sal-va- tion, Which Thou hast pre- pared be- fore the face of all peo-ple;

A light to ligh- ten the Gen- tiles, and the glo- ry of Thy peo- ple is - ra- el.

***With Lifted Hands:* 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**

## The Heidelberg Catechism – Lord’s Day 35; Questions 96, 97, 98

96. What does God require in the second commandment? **That we in no way make any image of God,<sup>1</sup> nor worship Him in any other way than He has commanded us in His Word.<sup>2</sup>** [1] Deut. 4:15–19; Isa. 40:18, 25. Rom. 1:22–24; Acts 17:29. [2] 1 Sam. 15:23; Deut. 12:30–32; Matt. 15:9; \*Deut. 4:23–24; \*Jn. 4:24.

97. May we not make any image at all? **God may not and cannot be imaged in any way; as for creatures, though they may indeed be imaged, yet God forbids the making or keeping of any likeness of them, either to worship them or to serve God by them.<sup>1</sup>** [1] Ex. 23:24–25; 34:13–14; Deut. 7:5; 12:3; 16:22; 2 Kgs. 18:4; \*Jn. 1:18.

98. But may not pictures be tolerated in churches as books for the people? **No, for we should not be wiser than God, who will not have His people taught by dumb idols,<sup>1</sup> but by the lively preaching of His Word.<sup>2</sup>** [1] Jer. 10:8; Hab. 2:18–19. [2] 2 Pet. 1:19; 2 Tim. 3:16–17; Rom. 10:17.

September 1st, 2024

# Church of the King

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~ Worship begins promptly at 1:00 p.m. ~ Today's pulpit supply ~ Pastor Paul Liberati ~

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### • **General Prayers**

- An increasing love for Christ, the Gospel and His Worship
- A sacrificial love for the Church, both here and around the world
- That God would bless us with everything we need, including employment, housing, and health enough to serve Him with our lives.

- **The Expectant Mothers** Annika Holst, Kate Aguilar & Sarah Sifford **Special prayer** for the Holst Baby, asking that God would protect him from any issues. Give grace to Ryan and Annika to fully trust in God, whatever His providence for their family.

- **Those Suffering from Sickness and Personal Trial**  
Vanessa Liberati's Mother Maria Muniz (heart failure), Manuella Pop (back surgery complications), Wayne Poindexter (prostate cancer), Connie Meyerdierk (thyroid radiation), Marie Choban (injured hand), Pastor Steve Wilkins (heart surgery), Mindy Dennigan (breast cancer), Melanie Garbe's family (death of nephew Lael), & Leiplein family (death of Ken)  
We lift up those with illness, injury or physical health complications, such as heart disease, diabetes, cancer and stroke; Especially those who might be struggling with anxiety or depression.

- **Our Leaders and Prospective Leaders in the Church**

Elders: John Stoops, Paul Liberati & Michael Denna

Deacons: Roger Walker & Igor Avanto;

Elders & Deacons in Training:

Nathaniel Pettyjohn, Chris Serroels & Patrick Avanto;

1 Timothy 3:10 "But let these also first be tested; Then let them serve as deacons, being found blameless." (see 1 Timothy 3:1-13)

- **Our Leaders in the Community** – Christian Business Owners, Parachurch Ministries and Pro-Life Organizations
- **Other Christian Churches** - particularly Trinity Reformed Church in Beaverton, OR & Pastor Devin Smith
- **Elected and Appointed Officials** - President, Governors, Legislators, Justices, Federal & State Office Holders, Local Sheriffs, County Supervisors & City Councils
- **Those Straying from the Faith** - Jeremiah, Payton and Garrett Snipes, Jeffrey Sudin, Philip Pesola & Dale Pettyjohn

**HEIDELBERG CATECHISM:** Lord's Day 35: this week

**Our fellowship lunch follows today's worship service. We welcome all to be our guests & to sing as we ask the Lord's blessing:**

Be present at our table Lord.

Be here and everywhere adored.

These mercies bless and grant that we

May feast in Paradise with Thee.

We thank Thee Lord for this our food,

For life and health and every good.

By Thine own hand may we be fed.

Give us this day our daily bread.

**Weekly Meetings (also detailed on our website):**

**Men's Fellowship Breakfast:**

~ Meets at 8:00am on Tuesdays at Denny's on Sunrise; reading By This Standard: The Authority of God's Law Today by Greg Bahnsen Contact Pastor Stoops.

**Sacramento Area Bible Study:**

~ Meets at 7:00pm on Tuesdays. Contact Patrick Avanto.

**Roseville Area Book Study:**

~ Meets at 7:00pm on Thursdays at the Pitts home; reading Leadership and Emotional Sabotage by Joe Rigney. Contact Vern Pitts.

**Grass Valley Area Book Study:**

~ Meets for potluck at 6:00pm, study starts at 7:00pm on Wednesdays at rotating locations; reading The Federal Vision edited by Steve Wilkins & Duane Garner. Contact Nathaniel Pettyjohn. (530)205-5162

**Ladies' Book Study:**

~ Meets at 9:00am on Saturdays at the Stoops home; reading Five Lies of Our Anti-Christian Age by Rosaria Butterfield. Contact Linda Stoops.

**Vallejo Area Study:**

~ Meets at the Kendrick home every two weeks. Contact Damell Kendrick.

### **Birthdays**

Isaac Stabler ~ August 31st

Rome Kendrick ~ September 2nd

Jessika Gonzales ~ September 6th

Justin Roome ~ September 6th

Richard Otterstad ~ September 7th

### **Anniversary**

Paul & Vanessa Liberati ~ September 1st

### **TODAY'S Hall Takedown**

Pettyjohns: Nathaniel & Spencer; Andrew Serroels, Jonathan Liberati & Simeon Harris

### **TODAY'S Playground Duty**

Choban

**Next Week**

Van Ness