

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, August 18, 2019

Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory,
for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

Psalm 115:1

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing*

Responsive Reading*

Psalm 141 (p. 836)

Hymn of Preparation*

“O Savior, Precious Savior” Hymn 159

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Heavenly Father, we know that your commandments are holy, righteous, and good. They reveal your holiness, and they teach us how to live as your children in a way that pleases you.

All: We acknowledge and confess that we have broken all of your commandments. Instead of fleeing from sin, we gave into temptation. Our hearts are weighed down as we consider how we have offended you, our loving Father.

Leader: Grant us repentant hearts to understand the sinfulness of our sins but also the assurance of forgiveness that comes by faith in the Lord Jesus. We thank you that our sins will not be counted against us, because they all have been laid upon Christ.

All: All praise to you, O God, for such wondrous grace! We are loved with an everlasting love! Grant that we, by your Spirit, may live daily unto you and may seek to glorify you in thought, word, and deed. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

Colossians 3:12-14

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

* *Congregation is requested to stand, if abl*

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading*

Isaiah 44

Congregational Response

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken” Hymn 345

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 53. *Which is the third commandment?*

A. The third commandment is “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.”

Q. 54. *What is required in the third commandment?*

A. The third commandment requires the holy and reverent use of God's names, titles, attributes, ordinances, Word, and works.

Q. 55. *What is forbidden in the third commandment?*

A. The third commandment forbids all profaning or abusing of anything by which God makes himself known.

Q. 56. *What is the reason attached to the third commandment?*

A. The reason attached to the third commandment is that, however those who break this commandment may escape punishment from men, yet the Lord our God will not allow them to escape his righteous judgment.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship

Tithes and Offerings

Gloria Patri*

Hymn 735

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.

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.

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

Second Reading*

Acts 17

Congregational Response (Psalm 16)

“To You, O Lord, I Fly” Hymn 692

Pastoral Prayer (based on Psalm 10:16-18)

Sermon

“The Jealousy of God”
Exodus 20:4-6

Pastor Ben Muresan

GOD'S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving*

“Be Thou My Vision” Hymn 642

Benediction*

Congregational Benediction Response*

(Sung to Stuttgart [Hymn 5])

Honor, glory, might, and merit, be to God and God alone!
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, One in Three and Three in One. Amen.

LORD'S DAY DEVOTION AND QUESTIONS

In his systematic theology textbook, John Frame clearly explains the jealousy of God and why we should find comfort in this attribute among God's many others. Frame writes:

God's jealousy is not inconsistent with his love or goodness. On the contrary, his jealousy is part of his love. Although...God has some love for all his creatures, he has an exclusive love for his own people, and he demands the same of them. When they violate that love, he behaves as a godly husband: he becomes jealous. There is nothing wrong with that jealousy. It reflects the intensity of his care for the love-relationship. When a man's beloved wife turns away and loves another man, he is rightly jealous. If he were not, that would be evidence that he does not care for her.

1. Read Exodus 20:1-6. What is the significance of the preface to the Ten Commandments according to Westminster Larger Catechism Q/A 101? What is the relation/connection between the first and second commandment?
2. What are the duties required and the sins forbidden in the second commandment according to Westminster Larger Catechism Q/A 108-109?
3. What are the reasons attached to the second commandment according to Westminster Larger Catechism Q/A 110?
4. What do the following verses reveal about God's jealousy? Exodus 34:10-17; Deuteronomy 32:15-22; Hosea 2:16-23; Ephesians 5:25-27.
5. How is the second commandment fulfilled in Christ? (John 14:9; Colossians 1:15)

