

# LORD'S DAY • AUGUST 24, 2025

Corporate worship is designed to alert us to the fact that life is spiritual war and to arm us for that war with the weapons of the gospel.

—Sunday Matters by Paul David Tripp

# CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you! They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

The Lord is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works.

# (Liturgical Guide)

Members & Guests are invited to be seated before worship and again during singing. We ask our greeters to pause congregational seating during corporate prayers and Sacraments.

#### Revelation 4:8

And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"

#### Psalm 51:1

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

#### Mark 1:27

And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him."

### **WORSHIP IN SONG**

# Holy, Holy, Holy!

Words: Reginald Heber (1763-1826). Music John B. Dykes, 1861.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

# God Be Merciful To Me (Psalm 51)

Words: Scottish Psalter, 1650. Music: Chris Miner, (c)1997.

God, be merciful to me; on thy grace I rest my plea Plenteous in compassion thou; blot out my transgressions now; Wash me, make me pure within; cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess; grief and guilt my soul oppress. I have sinned against thy grace, and provoked thee to thy face. I confess thy judgment just; speechless, I thy mercy trust.

I am evil, born in sin; thou desirest truth within. Thou alone my Savior art; teach thy wisdom to my heart. Make me pure, thy grace bestow, wash me whiter than the snow.

Broken, humbled to the dust by thy wrath and judgment just, Let my contrite heart rejoice, and in gladness hear thy voice; From my sins O hide thy face; blot them out in boundless grace.

Gracious God, my heart renew; make my spirit right and true. Cast me not away from thee; let thy Spirit dwell in me; Thy salvation's joy impart; steadfast make my willing heart.

# I Stand Amazed

Charles H. Gabriel, 1905.

I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene And wonder how he could love me, a sinner, condemned unclean.

How marvelous, how wonderful! And my song shall ever be. How marvelous, how wonderful! Is my Savior's love for me! He took my sins and my sorrows and made them his very own. He bore the burden to Calvary and suffered and died alone. (*Chorus*)

When with the ransomed in glory his face I at last shall see, 'Twill be my joy through the ages to sing of his love for me. (*Chorus*)

### **CHILDREN'S SERMON & INTERLUDE**

## **CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness.

—Isaiah 61:10

# **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth;
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried.
He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into
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 universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

# PREACHING OF THE WORD

Luke 17:7-10 • "Nobody's Debtor" • Rev. Randy Rhea
The grass withers, the flower fades but the word of our God will stand forever.

—Isaiah 40:8

## **SONG OF RESPONSE**

# Jesus Paid It All

Words: Elvina M. Hall, 1865. Music: John T. Grape, 1868.

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 your power, and yours alone,

Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone. (Chorus)

For nothing good have I whereby your grace to claim —

I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's lamb. (Chorus)

And when, before the throne, I stand in him complete,

"Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat. (Chorus)

### BENEDICTION

# (LITURGICAL GUIDE

3K & 4K are invited to the front for the children's sermon and then children's church.

The Corporate Confession of Sin reminds us all that we are no better than others and that it is ONLY Grace which makes any of us what we are.

The Apostles' Creed is called such, "not because it was produced by the apostles themselves" but because it contains a summary of their teachings. It sets forth their doctrine "in sublime simplicity, in unsurpassable brevity, in beautiful order, and with liturgical solemnity." Its present form is dated no later than the 4th Century.

—Christian Reformed Church 1988

Psalm 138:8 John 19:30 It is finished.

#### Announcements

### AFFINITY GROUPS

will meet at 10am.

YOUTH MINISTRY
FALL/WINTER CALENDAR
is available to download or
pick up a hard copy at the
Host Team Desk.

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#### **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES**

will begin Wednesday, September 10th. Studies include a 2-yr Bible Reading Plan, "None Like Him" by Jen Wilkin, and "Daughters of Grace - Women of the Bible & The God of Grace." Please use the QR to register for a class.

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**SERMON NOTES**Luke 17:7-10 • "Nobody's Debtor"

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