



## Worship · Witness · Walk in Love

We long to see the grace of God magnified as he transforms us into a community that worships, witnesses, and walks in love.

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### Ordinary Time

August 23, 2020

#### WELCOME AND INVOCATION

#### CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 100

<sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

<sup>2</sup> Serve the LORD with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

<sup>3</sup> Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

<sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

<sup>5</sup> For the LORD is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,

and his faithfulness to all generations.

#### REJOICE

Come and stand before your Maker,  
full of wonder, full of fear

Come behold His power and glory,  
yet with confidence draw near

For the one who holds the heavens  
and commands the stars above

Is the God who bends to bless us,  
with an unrelenting love

Rejoice, come and lift your hands  
and raise your voice

He is worthy of our praise

Rejoice, sing the mercies of your King

And with trembling, rejoice

We are children of the promise,  
the beloved of the Lord

Won with everlasting kindness,  
bought with sacrificial blood

Bringing reconciliation  
to a world that longs to know

The affections of a Father  
who will never let them go

Rejoice, come and lift your hands  
and raise your voice

He is worthy of our praise

Rejoice, sing the mercies of your King

And with trembling, rejoice

All our sickness, all our sorrows,  
Jesus carried up the hill  
He has walked this path before us,  
He is walking with us still  
Turning tragedy to triumph,  
turning agony to praise  
There is blessing in the battle,  
so take heart and stand amazed

Rejoice, when you cry to Him  
He hears your voice,  
He will wipe away your tears  
Rejoice, in the midst of suffering  
He will help you sing  
  
Rejoice, come and lift your hands  
and raise your voice  
He is worthy of our praise  
Rejoice, sing the mercies of your King  
And with trembling, rejoice

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### **HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, LORD'S DAY 34**

The *Heidelberg Catechism* is a teaching tool written by two pastors: Zacharias Ursinus and Caspar Olevianus in 1563 and is designed to explain the core of Christian faith over the course of a year. The catechism is divided into three sections: our estate of sin and misery, how one is set free from sin and misery, and how one thanks God for that deliverance. In this section, the Catechism instructs as to how we enjoy the gospel through the sacraments and through obedience.

*Q92. What does the Lord say in his law?*

**A. God spoke all these words:**

#### **The First Commandment**

**I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me.**

#### **The Second Commandment**

**You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.**

#### **The Third Commandment**

**You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.**

#### **The Fourth Commandment**

**Remember the Sabbath day by keeping 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, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your manservant or maidservant, nor your animals, nor the alien within your gates. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.**

#### **The Fifth Commandment**

Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.

**The Sixth Commandment**

You shall not murder.

**The Seventh Commandment**

You shall not commit adultery.

**The Eighth Commandment**

You shall not steal.

**The Ninth Commandment**

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

**The Tenth Commandment**

You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Ex. 20:1-17; Deut. 5:6-21

*Q93. How are these commandments divided?*

**A. Into two tables. The first has four commandments, teaching us what our relation to God should be. The second has six commandments, teaching us what we owe our neighbor.**

Matt. 22:37-39

*Q. What does the Lord require in the first commandment?*

**A. That I, not wanting to endanger my very salvation, avoid and shun all idolatry, magic, superstitious rites, and prayer to saints or to other creatures. That I sincerely acknowledge the only true God, trust him alone, look to him for every good thing humbly and patiently, love him, fear him, and honor him with all my heart. In short, that I give up anything rather than go against his will in any way.**

1 Cor. 6:9-10; 10:5-14; 1 John 5:21; Lev. 19:31; Deut. 18:9-12; Matt. 4:10; Rev. 19:10; 22:8-9; John 17:3; Jer. 17:5, 7; Ps. 104:27-28; James 1:17; 1 Pet. 5:5-6; Col. 1:11; Heb. 10:36; Matt. 22:37 (Deut. 6:5); Prov. 9:10; 1 Pet. 1:17; Matt. 4:10 (Deut. 6:13); Matt. 5:29-30; 10:37-39

*Q95. What is idolatry?*

**A. Idolatry is having or inventing something in which one trusts in place of or alongside of the only true God, who has revealed himself in his Word.**

1 Chron. 16:26; Gal. 4:8-9; Eph. 5:5; Phil. 3:19

## **HE IS EXALTED**

He is exalted

The King is exalted on high

I will praise Him.

He is exalted, forever exalted

And I will praise His name!

He is the Lord

Forever his truth shall reign.

Heaven and earth

Rejoice in His holy name.

He is exalted

The King is exalted on high.

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## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Almighty and most merciful Father,

We have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.  
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.  
We have offended against Your holy laws.  
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done;  
And we have done those things which we ought not to have done;  
And there is nothing good in us.  
O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.  
Spare those, O God, who confess their faults.  
Restore those who are penitent;  
According to Your promises declared unto men in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
Grant that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of His name.  
Amen

### **WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT - Joel 2:12-13**

*"Even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning." Rend your heart and not your garments.*

**Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity.**

### **JESUS I MY CROSS HAVE TAKEN**

Jesus I my cross have taken  
All to leave and follow thee  
Destitute, despised, forsaken  
Thou from hence my all shalt be  
Perish every fond ambition  
All I've sought or hoped or known  
Yet how rich is my condition,  
God and heaven are still my own

Man may trouble and distress me  
Twill but drive me to thy breast  
Life with trials hard may press me  
Heaven will bring me sweeter rest  
Oh 'tis not in grief to harm me  
While thy love is left to me  
Oh 'twere not in joy to charm me  
Were that joy unmixed with Thee

Let the world despise and leave me  
They have left my Savior too  
Human hearts and looks deceive me  
Thou art not like them untrue  
Oh while thou dost smile upon me  
God of wisdom, love and might  
Foes may hate and friends disown me  
Show thy face and all is bright

Go then earthly fame and treasure  
Come disaster, scorn and pain  
In thy service pain is pleasure  
With thy favor loss is gain  
I have called thee Abba Father  
I have stayed my heart on thee  
Storms may howl and clouds may gather  
All must work for good to me

Soul, then know thy full salvation  
Rise o'er sin and fear and care  
Joy to find in every station,  
Something still to do or bear.  
Think what Spirit dwells within thee,  
Think what Father's smiles are thine,  
Think that Jesus died to win thee,  
Child of heaven, canst thou repine.

Haste thee on from grace to glory  
Armed by faith and winged by prayer  
Heaven's eternal day's before thee  
God's own hand shall guide thee there  
Soon shall close thy earthly mission  
Soon shall pass thy pilgrim days  
Hope shall change to glad fruition  
Faith to sight and prayer to praise

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#### **SCRIPTURE READING - Psalm 4**

TO THE CHOIRMASTER: WITH STRINGED INSTRUMENTS. A PSALM OF DAVID.

- <sup>1</sup> Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!  
    You have given me relief when I was in distress.  
    Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!
- <sup>2</sup> O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame?  
    How long will you love vain words and seek after lies? *Selah*
- <sup>3</sup> But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for himself;  
    the LORD hears when I call to him.
- <sup>4</sup> Be angry, and do not sin;  
    ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent. *Selah*
- <sup>5</sup> Offer right sacrifices,  
    and put your trust in the LORD.
- <sup>6</sup> There are many who say, "Who will show us some good?  
    Lift up the light of your face upon us, O LORD!"
- <sup>7</sup> You have put more joy in my heart  
    than they have when their grain and wine abound.
- <sup>8</sup> In peace I will both lie down and sleep;  
    for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.

#### **SERMON Ordinary Prayers: Settled and Safe**

##### **PASTORAL PRAYER 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 and ever. Amen.

##### **BENEDICTION - Numbers 6:24-26, 1 John 3:1a**

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;  
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.  
How great is the love that the Father has lavished on us that we should be called his children.  
And that is what we are!

**A PARTING BLESSING: MAY OUR GOD BE KNOWN**

May our God be known for his grace; may the earth rejoice in his blessing.	Let the nations sing and be glad for the Lord is coming with justice.
May our God be known for his love, and the smile that shines from His face.	Let the nations sing and be glad for our God is coming with peace.
May Your way be known on the earth so that all the nations will sing and rejoice in knowing the God of grace!	* Now let all the ends of the earth fill with holy wonder and joy, for our God is coming to reign as king!

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I will  
both lie  
down and  
sleep in  
peace, for  
you alone,  
**LORD,**  
make me  
live  
safety.

— Psalm 4:8 —

