

The Lord's Day
August 12, 2018

God's Call to Us to Worship Him

"Be Still and know that I Am God"

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.' Therefore, behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when they shall no longer say, 'As the LORD lives who brought up the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt,' but 'As the LORD lives who brought up and led the offspring of the house of Israel out of the north country and out of all the countries where he had driven them.' Then they shall dwell in their own land."
~ Jeremiah 23:5-8

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Psalm 145:18, 21

Elder: The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

People: **Our mouths will speak the praise of the Lord, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.**

Elder: The Lord is dwelling among His Congregation.

People: **Let us worship Him!**

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Hymns of Our Procession Into the Presence of God**

Here I Am To Worship Worship Handbook, page B18

He Is Exalted Worship Handbook, page B15

The Father Reaffirms His Covenant with Us

Reading of the Law Matthew 22:37-40

Confession of Sin Bulletin Insert

Assurance of His Pardon Jeremiah 33:6-9

***Hymns of Thanksgiving**

Like a River Glorious

Hymn #699

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Hymn #679

Intercessory Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Dismissal of children Grade 1 and under to Junior Church

Christ is Made Known to Us

His Word is Opened to Us the Rev. Nicholas Hathaway

Scripture: Jeremiah 31:27-40; 33:14-26 (Pew Bible pg. 659)

*"The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever."*

Message: Already, Now, and Not Yet

Prayer for Response and Obedience

Statement of Faith

Hymnal, page 854

Responsive Reading of the *WCF: Chapter 9 – Of Free Will*

**We Depart with the Blessing
and Sending of His Spirit**

Offering of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Gloria Patri

Hymn #735

***Prayer of Commitment to Service**

***Hymn of our Procession Into the World**

The Sands of Time Are Sinking

Hymn #546

***Charge and Benediction**

(Hymn 195, vs. 3)

*No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found.*

Postlude

*Congregation Standing

Confession of Sin

Responsive Reading: excerpts from Jeremiah 2:9 – 3:14

Elder: Therefore I still contend with you, declares the LORD, and with your children's children I will contend. For cross to the coasts of Cyprus and see, or send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for that which does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this; be shocked, be utterly desolate, declares the LORD.

People: Your evil will chastise you, and your apostasy will reprove you. Know and see that it is evil and bitter for you to forsake the LORD your God; the fear of me is not in you, declares the Lord GOD of hosts. For long ago I broke your yoke and burst your bonds; but you said, 'I will not serve.' Yes, on every high hill and under every green tree you bowed down like a whore. Yet I planted you a choice vine, wholly of pure seed. How then have you turned degenerate and become a wild vine? Though you wash yourself with lye and use much soap, the stain of your guilt is still before me, declares the Lord GOD.

Elder: Why do you contend with me? You have all transgressed against me, declares the LORD. In vain have I struck your children; they took no correction; your own sword devoured your prophets like a ravaging lion. And you, O generation, behold the word of the LORD. Have I been a wilderness to Israel, or a land of thick darkness? Why then do my people say, 'We are free, we will come no more to you'? Can a virgin forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? Yet my people have forgotten me days without number.

People: You say, 'I am innocent; surely his anger has turned from me.' Behold, I will bring you to judgment for saying, 'I have not sinned.' How much you go about, changing your way! You shall be put to shame by Egypt as you were put to shame by Assyria. From it too you will come away with your hands on your head, for the LORD has rejected those in whom you trust, and you will not prosper by them.

Elder: Go, and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, Return, faithless Israel, declares the LORD. I will not look on you in anger, for I am merciful, declares the LORD; I will not be angry forever. Only acknowledge your guilt, that you rebelled against the LORD your God and scattered your favors among foreigners under every green tree, and that you have not obeyed my voice, declares the LORD; for I am your master; I will take you, one from a city and two from a family, and I will bring you to Zion.

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