

The Lord's Day
May 12, 2019

God's Call to Us to Worship Him

"Be Still and know that I Am God"

Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness! Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?" Our God is in the heavens; he does all that he pleases. . . The dead do not praise the LORD, nor do any who go down into silence. But we will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!

~ Psalm 115:1-3, 9-13, 17-18

***His Call to Us to Worship Him** from Psalm 63:1-4, 7-8

Elder: O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is not water.

People: **So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.**

Elder: So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands.

People: **For you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I will sing for joy. My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.**

Elder: The Lord has called his people together.

People: **We have come at his bidding.**

Elder: Let us worship our God.

***Prayer of Invocation**

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

Ps. 103: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty Hymn #53

To God Be the Glory Hymn #55

The Father Reaffirms His Covenant with Us

Reading of the Law

Responsive Reading of the Moral Law Worship Handbook A12

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

In spite of God's love for us and gift of love to us, we often act in destructive and hateful ways. We close our hearts to God and disobey God's law. Together let us confess our sin.

Unison Prayer

Our Father, forgive us for thinking small thoughts of you and for ignoring your immensity and greatness. Lord Jesus, forgive us when we forget that you rule the nations and our small lives. Holy Spirit, we offend you in minimizing your power and squandering your gifts. We confess that our blindness to your glory, O triune God, has resulted in shallow confession, tepid conviction, and only mild repentance. Have mercy upon us. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Assurance of His Pardon

Isaiah 44:21-22

***Hymn of Thanksgiving**

I Am Thine, O Lord, I Have Heard Thy Voice

Hymn #533

Intercessory Prayer

Dismissal of children Grade 1 and under to Junior Church

Christ is Made Known to Us

Hymn of Prayer

Beneath the Cross

Worship Handbook B7

His Word is Opened to Us

Dr. David G. Barker

Scripture: Ruth 1 (Pew Bible pg. 222)

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

Message: Call Me "Mara"

Prayer for Response and Obedience

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

Offering of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

***Prayer of Commitment to Service**

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

Whate'er My God Ordains is Right

Hymn #108

***Charge and Benediction** (Hymn 32, Refrain)

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see:

all I have needed thy hand hath provided—

Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Postlude

*Congregation Standing