

Lord's Day Worship May 18, 2025

-The Worship of God-

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

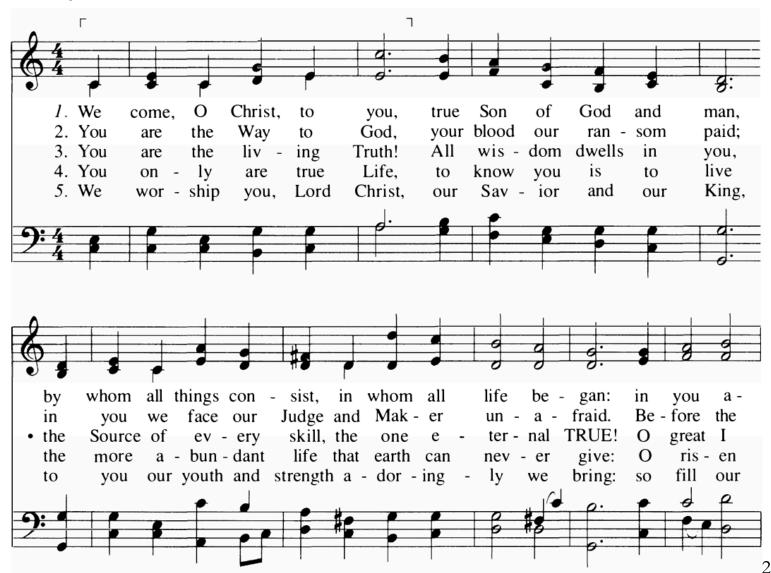
Please Stand

Leader: Come, bless the LORD all you servants of the LORD! **People: We lift up our hands to the holy place and bless the LORD!** Leader: May the LORD bless you from Zion, who made heaven and earth! **All: Bless the LORD!**

Psalm 134:1-3

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Hymn of Praise: We Come, O Christ, To You





CONFESSION OF SIN

Please Sit From Psalm 119:9-16

Our God and Father, we confess that we have not kept our way pure or sought you with our whole heart. Instead, we have wandered from your commandments and failed to store your word in our hearts. We have not fixed our eyes on your ways or delighted in your statutes.

Instead, we have sinned against you and others. Forgive us and remind us of your mercy and grace.

Silent Confession

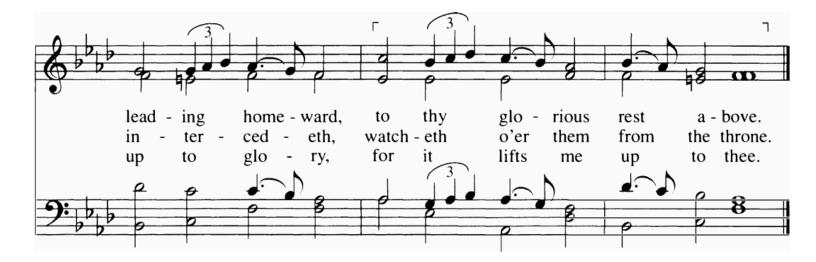
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 Peter 3:24-25

24 [Christ] himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. 25 For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Song of Thanksgiving: O The Deep, Deep Love Of Jesus





CONFESSION OF FAITH

Remain Standing Heidelberg Catechism Question and Answers 141 & 142

Question 114: Can those converted to God obey these commandments perfectly?

Answer: No. In this life even the holiest have only a small beginning of this obedience.

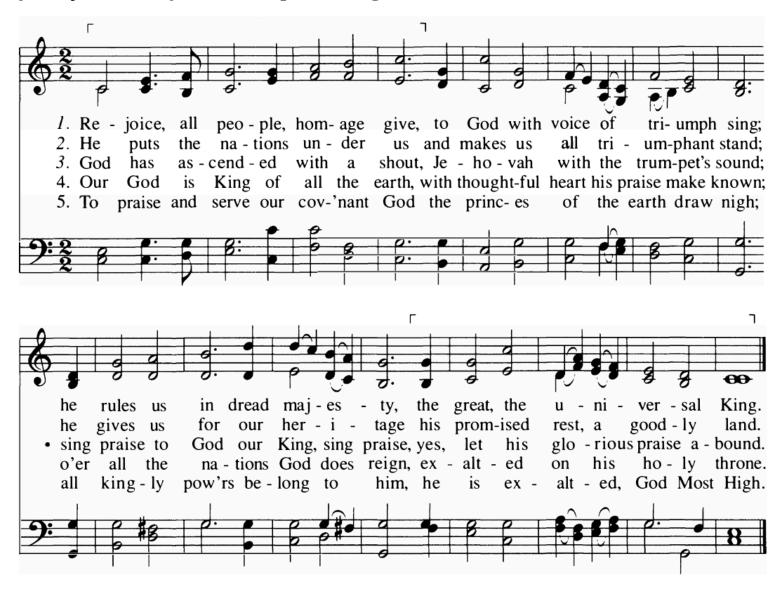
Nevertheless, with all seriousness of purpose, they do begin to live according to all, not only some, of God's commandments.

Question 115: Since no one in this life can obey the Ten Commandments perfectly, why does God want them preached so pointedly?

Answer: First, so that the longer we live the more we may come to know our sinfulness and the more eagerly look to Christ for forgiveness of sins and righteousness.

Second, so that we may never stop striving, and never stop praying to God for the grace of the Holy Spirit, to be renewed more and more after God's image, until after this life we reach our goal: perfection.

Hymn of Praise: Rejoice, All People, Homage Give



COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please Sit

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Remain Seated

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

Scripture Reading John 1:14-18

[14] And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. [15] (John bore witness about him, and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me.") [16] For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. [17] For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. [18] No one has ever seen God; God the only Son, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

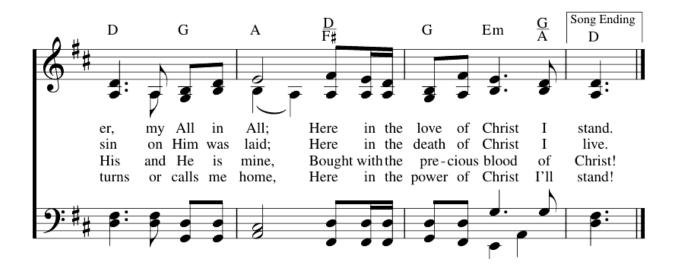
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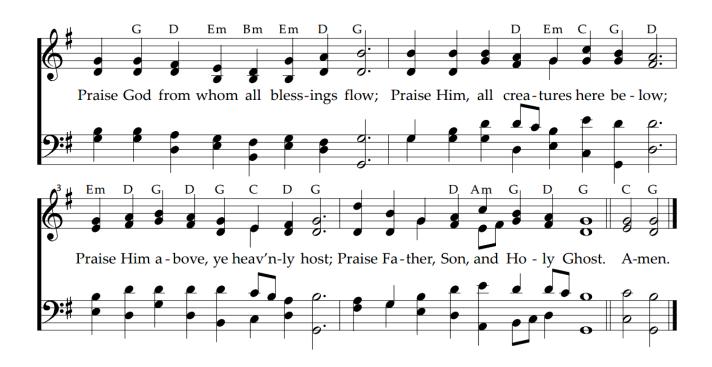
[16] On the morning of the third day there were thunders and lightnings and a thick cloud on the mountain and a very loud trumpet blast, so that all the people in the camp trembled. [17] Then Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet God, and they took their stand at the foot of the mountain. [18] Now Mount Sinai was wrapped in smoke because the LORD had descended on it in fire. The smoke of it went up like the smoke of a kiln, and the whole mountain trembled greatly. [19] And as the sound of the trumpet grew louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him in thunder. [20] The LORD came down on Mount Sinai, to the top of the mountain. And the LORD called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.

[21] And the LORD said to Moses, "Go down and warn the people, lest they break through to the LORD to look and many of them perish. [22] Also let the priests who come near to the LORD consecrate themselves, lest the LORD break out against them." [23] And Moses said to the LORD, "The people cannot come up to Mount Sinai, for you yourself warned us, saying, 'Set limits around the mountain and consecrate it." [24] And the LORD said to him, "Go down, and come up bringing Aaron with you. But do not let the priests and the people break through to come up to the LORD, lest he break out against them." [25] So Moses went down to the people and told them. (ESV)





BENEDICTION



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting: The elders are calling for a congregational meeting on June 1, 2025 immediately following the worship service. The purpose of this congregational meeting is to elect elders from the men nominated by the congregation earlier this year. The two men who have been nominated and have said yes to the nomination are Lucas Stringfield and Gordy Brown.

Church Cleanup Day: Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 14th at 7:30am. Breakfast and lunch will be provided by the church and there will be a number of different ways to contribute. Please contact Jim Doyle for more information.

Compassion and Hope Pregnancy Center: CHPC is doing a Baby Bottle Fundraising Campaign that runs until Father's Day. You can pick up a baby bottle from Kelley McGinnis. You can fill these baby bottles with coins, cash, or checks and return them to Kelley by June 15. She will then take all the donations to Compassion and Hope Pregnancy Center. This is a great way for us to support our local PC financially, in addition to the financial support we give them as a church through missions.

Sunday Ministry Schedule: Each Sunday, we have predictable fellowship and ministry opportunities that repeat every month on the same Sunday of the month until the Summer. Please avail yourselves of the opportunities to grow in love, grace, and service together.

- First Sunday Fellowship Meal: After service we will have a potluck fellowship meal at the church. Please bring a main dish and a side to share.
- Second Sunday Coffee and Conversation at the Pastor's House at 2pm. We will discuss a biblical, theological, historical, etc., topic together over coffee and dessert. If you have specific questions or topics you'd like to cover in this conversational setting, please reach out to Pastor Nick.
- Third Sunday Hymn Sings: Every third Sunday of the month at the church. We will have a fellowship meal starting at 5pm, followed by the hymn sing. Bring a main dish and a side to share for the fellowship meal.

Sunday Morning Fellowship: There is a sign up sheet in the entryway of the church for snacks to be served in between Sunday School and the Worship Service. Reimbursement from the church is available for those who would like to turn in their fellowship snack receipt. Please be mindful of sugar content, dyes, and other ingredients when selecting snacks to bring. Contact Kelley McGinnis (kilmcginnis@hotmail.com & 530-227-8521) with any questions.

Prayer Meeting: Prayer meeting begins at 9:15am each Lord's Day. Contact Jim Doyle for more information. Please come and pray!

Sunday School: Sunday School starts at 9:45am. The adults are working through the *Westminster Confession of Faith*. This is an important way to examine key doctrines in the Bible, to join our brothers and sisters from ages past in practicing the historic reformed faith, and to learn how we can all work toward greater unity in the church. Please make it a priority to attend! The children's Sunday School is geared for the following approximate grades: nursery, grades 1-3, 5-6. and 7-12.

AFCC April Financial Overview		
Category	Actual (\$)	Budget (\$)
Total Income	\$8,530	\$12,182
Total Expenses	\$11,482	\$12,471

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> Prayer 9:15AM Sunday School 9:45AM Sunday Worship 11:00AM

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