

March 15, 2015

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. Col. 3:16

Be Still, and Know that I am God.

Welcome and Salutation: Grace be unto you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Call to Worship: And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness. The meek also shall increase *their* joy in the LORD, and the poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel. –Is. 29:18, 19

Silent Prayer and Meditation: “Kept by the Power of God.” How blessed is that promises! I cannot keep my salvation, but I can give it to Jesus to keep. I cannot keep my heart, but I can give it to my Father to keep. I cannot keep my soul, but I can give it to God to keep. Amen.
2 Tim. 1:12 We keep by giving away.

Prelude to Worship

***Gloria Patri**

***Leader:** LORD, thou wilt ordain peace for us: for thou also hast wrought all our works in us. –Is. 26:12

***Congregation Response:** O LORD our God, other lords beside thee have had dominion over us: but by thee only will we make mention of thy name. –Is. 26:13

***Hymn 135: “I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”**

Author: Strassbourg *Psalter*, 1545. Attributed to John Calvin
Tune: TOULON, Geneva *Psalter*, 1551

***Leader:** Sing unto the LORD; for he hath done excellent things: this *is* known in all the earth. Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great *is* the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee. –Is 12:5, 6

***Congregational Response:** Behold, God *is* my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH *is* my strength and *my* song; he also *is* become my salvation. Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation. –Is. 12:2, 3

***Hymn 271: “How Sweet and Awful”** [“Awful” means “filled with awe”]

Author: Isaac Watts 1707
Tune: St. Columba, Old Irish Hymn

Heidelberg Catechism: Sunday 11, Page 50: Why is He called Jesus?

Scripture Reading: I Peter 1:3-12

Representative, Congregational Prayer: We join our hearts together in praise, confession, and petition: Meditation: and prayer on Psalm 138

Leader: And therefore will the LORD wait, that he may be gracious unto you, and therefore will he be exalted, that he may have mercy upon you: for the LORD *is* a God of judgment: blessed *are* all they that wait for him. –Is. 30:18

***Hymn 502: “Rejoice, Give Thanks, and Sing”**

Author: Edward H. Plumptre, 1865
Tune: MARIAN. Arthur H. Masslter, 1885

***Responsive Reading: Page 665, Selection 76c, Psalm 150**

***Apostles’ Creed:** We confess our faith, using the Apostles’ Creed

Tithes & Offerings: We acknowledge the Creator as the source of all blessings and give ourselves up to Him as His people and the sheep of His pasture.

Bible Message: “Our Lively Hope”

1 Peter 1:4-5 - Pastor C. W. Powell

***Leader:** By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of *our* lips giving thanks to his name. –Heb. 13:15

***Hymn 432: “Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners”**

Author: J. Wilbur Chapman
Tune: HYFRYDOL, Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1855

***The Lord’s Prayer**

***Benediction and Doxology**

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