

Sunday, March 7, 2010  
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:45AM

**Announcements and \*Welcome!**

- We welcome you to our service today! It is a blessing when God's people gather to worship Him in spirit and truth! We trust that those visiting for the first time will sense our desire to follow a pattern of worship derived from God's word; the priorities of which are outlined in the major headings in this order of worship. We invite visitors to sign our Guest Book and to acquire resources regarding our church and mission.
- Each Sunday we participate in a sacrament instituted by Christ to express our communion with him and to remember Gospel truths. When coming to the Lord's Table, participants are stating that they are baptized believers and active members, in 'good standing,' with a Bible teaching church. We must also come with repentant hearts and a faith in Christ alone as savior of our souls and his church. The sacraments of the church teach us to "see and sense" the true foundation for fellowship with God and each other.
- We encourage "family worship" here (as well as at home)! Families attempting to do such, should access our "family seating area." However, this time is set apart to focus attention upon God's attributes and actions! Please be sensitive to "distractions" by utilizing our childcare room which is equipped with TV monitoring of the service.
- May God be glorified and honored in all that we do in His name today!

**Preparation for Worship with Prayer and Songs of Ascent**

**\*Hymn – We Praise Thee, O God**

(Lyons)

We praise Thee, O God, our Lord and our King,  
Accept Thou the praise we gratefully bring;  
Thanksgiving and worship we offer to Thee,  
Thou Ruler of nations, in Whom we are free.

We praise Thee, O God, for years of increase,  
For faith unassailed, prosperity, peace;  
United we offer our anthem of praise,  
To Thee, our Supporter, our Ancient of Days.

We pray Thee, O Christ, our Savior and Friend,  
From error and strife Thy Zion defend;  
Breathe on us, we pray Thee, O Spirit of love,  
And fit us for union with Thy church above.

**\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 145:1-2

**Elder** – Even the darkness is not dark to You; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with You.

**All** – For You formed my inward parts; You knitted me together in my mother's womb.

**Elder** – I praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.  
Wonderful are Your works; my soul knows it very well.

**All** – My frame was not hidden from You, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

**Elder** – Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in Your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there were none of them.

**All** – How precious to me are Your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

**\*Confession and Cleansing**

Prayer of Adoration ... Confession ... Assurance of Pardon

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**Song – Indescribable**

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea,  
Creation's revealing Your majesty.

From the colors of fall to the fragrance of spring

Every creature unique in the song that it sings – All exclaiming...

Indescribable, uncontainable; You placed the stars in the sky and

You know them by name – You are amazing God!

All powerful, untameable; awestruck we fall to our knees as we

humbly proclaim – You are amazing God!

Who has told every lightning bolt where it should go,

Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow?

Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light,

Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night? None can fathom...

**Consecration by the Word**

**Old Testament Law – Genesis 5:1 – 3**

("Adam... fathered a son in his own likeness, after his image...")

**Old Testament Prophet – Isaiah 64:1 – 9**

(The prophet, as he expresses repentance, confesses the rule of God over all.)

**Reader** – The words of the Lord. **Congregation** – Thanks be to God.

**Psalm – 145:3– 6**

(Amsterdam)

Lord, our Lord, in all the earth how excellent Your name!  
You above the heav'ns have set the splendor of Your fame.  
From the mouths of infants young, You the pow'r of praise compose.  
In the face of enemies to stop avenging foes.

When I view the skies above which Your own fingers made,  
When I see the moon and stars which You in order laid,  
What is man so frail and weak that You should remember him?  
What can be the son of man that You should care for him?

You made man just less than God with radiant glory crowned.  
You placed him above Your works, beneath him all is found.  
Oxen, sheep, and all wild beasts; birds and fish the oceans claim,  
Lord, our Lord, in all the earth how excellent Your name!

**New Testament Gospel – Matthew 22:15 – 22**

("render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.")

**New Testament Epistle – 1 Corinthians 15:35 – 49**

(In discussing the resurrection, the Apostle states that believers will bear the image of Christ.)

**Reader** – The words of the Lord. **Congregation** – Thanks be to God.

**\*Hymn – God of Wonders**

Lord of all creation, of water, earth, and sky,  
The heavens are Your tabernacle ~ Glory to the Lord on High!

God of wonders, beyond our galaxy ~ You are holy, holy!  
The universe declares Your majesty ~ You are holy, holy!

Lord of heaven and earth (2x)

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Early in the morning, I will celebrate the light.  
When I stumble through the darkness, I will call Your name by night.

God of wonders, beyond our galaxy ~ You are holy, holy!  
The universe declares Your majesty ~ You are holy, holy!

Lord of heaven and earth (2x)

Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth (3x)

God of wonders, beyond our galaxy ~ You are holy, holy!  
Precious Lord, reveal Your heart to me ~ Father holy, holy!  
The universe declares Your majesty ~ You are holy, holy, holy, holy!

**Sermon:**

***"The Imago Dei:***

His Eternal Power And Divine Nature Understood Through What Has Been Made"  
(Message by: Lindsay Brooks)

**Coming Together as the Church**

**Elder's Response & Westminster Shorter Catechism; Q & A # 10**

**Elder** – How did God create man?

**All** – God created man male & female, after His own image, in knowledge, righteousness, and holiness, with dominion over the creatures.

**Offertory –**

[Please pass the offering baskets through your section toward the back. If you have a special prayer request, please fill out a prayer card (available at the entry table) and place it in the offering basket. Thank you.]

**Congregational Prayer & The Lord's Prayer**

**Communion Through the Sacraments**

**\*Sanctus**

Holy, holy, holy! Holy is the Lord! Holy, holy, holy! Holy is the Lord!  
Heav'n and earth are filled with, filled with Your glory Lord.  
Holy, holy, holy! Holy is the Lord!

**Sacrament of The Lord's Table**

The presiding minister will give direction for participation in this meal.  
{Wine is located on the table edge nearest to the cross. Grape juice is on the outside.}

**Commissioning of the Church**

**\*Closing Prayer & Doxology**

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

**\*Benediction & 3-fold Amen**

\*Those who are able, please stand.

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¶ Please join us after the service for refreshments, fellowship, and Sunday School classes ¶