

SCRIPTURE READING *

Acts 19:21-41

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

SERMON

“The Gentle Threat of the Gospel” Pastor Ian Hard

HYMN OF RESPONSE *

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
Is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.

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COMMUNION †

HYMN OF SENDING *

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners! Hymn 498

BENEDICTION *

† *Wine is in the inner rings of the tray
in purple colored cups.*

*Juice is in the outer ring of the tray
in clear cups.*

*We are a family in Christ worshipping in Spirit
and truth, growing together in God’s grace,
and connecting the community with the gospel.*

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GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP *

Psalm 96

Trinity Hymnal, page 819

SONGS OF PRAISE *

We Bow Down

You are Lord of creation
And Lord of my life,
Lord of the land and the sea.
You were Lord of the heavens
Before there was time,
And Lord of all lords You will be!

Chorus:

We bow down and we worship You, Lord.
We bow down and we worship You, Lord.
We bow down and we worship You, Lord.
Lord of all Lords You will be!

You are King of creation
And King of my life,
King of the land and the sea.
You were King of the heavens
Before there was time,
And King of all kings You will be! (*Chorus*)

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Blessed Assurance

Hymn 693

** Stand as you are able*

Bold Print – speak together in unison

We Have Come to Worship You

We have come to worship You
In Spirit and in Truth;
We have gathered, we draw near,
Knowing You will meet us here.
We have come to worship You
In Spirit and in Truth;
Holy Lord, meet us here.

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INVOCATION *

CONFESSION OF SIN

Your Word, O Lord declares your infinite grandeur,
majesty and power.

**Our words and actions present you
as small and powerless.**

Your steadfast love endures forever.

**But we have loved one another so poorly,
that we can scarcely trust in such a love.**

The heavens are yours; the earth also is yours;
the world and all that is in it, you have founded them.

**Yet we live in fear. We have denied your power
with our attempts to exert control over our own lives
and the lives of others.**

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne.

**Yet we have presumed to think that we can justify
ourselves with our deeds, seeking to proclaim
our goodness instead of yours, O Holy God.**

In the heavens you will establish your faithfulness.

**We have doubted your promises and ignored
your demonstrations of covenant faithfulness, putting
our trust in people and things
that cannot be trusted.**

Forgive us O Lord.

**We confess we need your mercy
and cry out for the help of your eternal Son.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Ezekiel 36:25-26

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be
clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your
idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart,
and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove
the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart
of flesh.

PROFESSION OF FAITH *

What is the chief end of man?

**Man's chief end is to glorify God
and to enjoy him forever.**

How did God create man?

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

Did our first parents continue in the estate wherein they
were created?

**Our first parents, being left to the freedom of their
own will, fell from the estate wherein they were
created, by sinning against God.**

Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin
and misery?

**God having, out of his mere good pleasure, from all
eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter
into a covenant of grace, to deliver them out of the
estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an
estate of salvation by a Redeemer.**

Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

**The only Redeemer of God's elect, is the Lord Jesus
Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became
man, and so was, and continueth to be God and man
in two distinct natures, and one person forever.**

~WSC Questions, 1, 10, 13, 20, 21

CHILDREN'S SERMON

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*For parents who are interested in nursery care
Children 3 and under
may be brought to the nursery at this time.
Please plan to pick your child up after the sermon.*

PRAYER

SONG OF PREPARATION *

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes, for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise,
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

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