

✠ **The Order of Service** ✠

June 9, 2024

INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 124:8; 130:3-5*

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities,

C **O Lord, who could stand?**

P But with You there is forgiveness,

C **that You may be feared.**

P I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,

C **and in His word I hope.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P From God's own Word we understand it is our sin that causes our troubles, doubt, fears, and death. For this reason, God's own Son became our Savior, taking the sin of the world upon Himself and paying our debt with His own death on the cross. All who have been baptized in His name have died with Him and live in the forgiveness of our sin. Let us therefore implore Him again and again for His forgiveness and life.

C **O God, I confess to You that I have sinned against You in my thoughts, words, and deeds by my own fault. For the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, forgive me my sins and restore to me the hope of Your eternal salvation.**

P God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith. I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

THE SHARING OF PEACE

P As God's forgiven people, we share God's peace to one another. Peace be with you!

C **Peace be with you!**

Please share the peace with those around you.

KYRIE

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE #651 I Love Your Kingdom, Lord

**1 I love Your kingdom, Lord,
The place of Your abode,
The Church our blest Redeemer saved
With His own precious blood.**

**2 Beyond my highest joy
I prize its heav'nly ways,
Its sweet communion, solemn vows,
Its hymns of love and praise.**

**3 I love Your church, O God,
Your saints in ev'ry land,
Dear as the apple of Your eye
And graven on Your hand.**

**5 Sure as Your truth shall last,
To Zion shall be giv'n
The brightest glories earth can yield
And brighter bliss of heav'n.**

SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Almighty God, You sent Your own beloved Son into our flesh to free us from the guilt

and death of our sin. As He is risen from death and lives and reigns in victory, so raise us anew this day and always to the certain hope of eternal life in His name; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT *Genesis 3:8–15* (The first promise of a Savior from sin)

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1* (Therefore we do not lose heart.)

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

VERSE *Psalm 127:1a*

P Alleluia, alleluia! Unless the Lord builds the house,

C those who build it labor in vain. Alleluia, alleluia!

HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 3:20–35* (Jesus accused by His family and teachers of the Law)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

CREED *Apostles' Creed*

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY #575 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

1 My hope is built on nothing less

**Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
No merit of my own I claim
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.**

Refrain: **On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**2 When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil. [Refrain]**

**3 His oath, His covenant and blood
Support me in the raging flood;
When ev'ry earthly prop gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay. [Refrain]**

**4 When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Redeemed to stand before His throne! [Refrain]**

SERMON

PRAYER ANNOUNCEMENTS

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Lord God our heavenly Father, we give You thanks and praise for Your good creation and for Your re-creation of a people of eternal hope and life, Your holy church throughout the world. Keep, we pray, all pastors and believers in the joyful hope of the resurrection and the life of the world to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Help all people of the world and especially of our own nation to not lose heart in the face of earthly troubles but to endure with faith in Your gracious promises of the forgiveness of sins and the hope and peace of Your new creation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P In the midst of trouble, anxiety, sickness, or fear of death, comfort, heal, and raise up all who call upon You in their need, [*especially . . .*]. Bless all who minister healing and deliverance to those in need. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P For the many brave and faithful believers who have gone before us, we give You thanks. Help us to remember all who have fought the good fight, finished the race, and kept the faith, that we may likewise live all our days with our heavenly goal in mind. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9-13*

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24-26*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

HYMN#837 Lift High the Cross

Refrain **Lift high the cross, the love of God proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.**

**1 Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,
Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. [Refrain]**

**2 Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine. [Refrain]**

**3 All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died. [Refrain]**

**4 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As Thou has promised, draw us all to Thee. [Refrain]**

**5 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! [Refrain]**

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