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REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Lord's Day Worship September 15, 2024

Welcome

Worship Leader R.E. Wes Jones

Call to Worship *

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

Trinity Hymnal, number 342

Prayer of Adoration *

Reading of the Law

From Exodus 20:3 Leader: You shall have no other gods before Me.

Matthew 4:10b People: It is written: "Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only."

Exodus 20:4a Leader: You shall not make for yourself an idol.

John 4:24 People: God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth.

Exodus 20:7a Leader: You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Matthew 5:34b-35a, 37 People: Do not swear at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne; or by the earth, for it is his footstool... Let your "Yes" be "Yes", and your "No," "No"; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.

Exodus 20:8 Leader: Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Mark 2:27b-28 People: The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath.

Exodus 20:12a Leader: Honor your father and your mother.

Ephesians 6:1 People: For God said, "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right."

^{*} Congregation Stands

Exodus 20:13 Leader: You shall not murder.

Matthew 5:44b-45a People: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven.

Exodus 20:14 Leader: You shall not commit adultery.

Matthew 5:28b People: Anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

Exodus 20:15 Leader: You shall not steal.

Matthew 15:19-20a People: For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery... theft... These are what make a man "unclean."

Exodus 20:16a Leader: You shall not give false testimony.

Matthew 12:34b, 37 People: For out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks... For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned.

Exodus 20:17a Leader: You shall not covet.

Luke 12:15b People: Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.

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Leader: Have you fully obeyed the Lord in all that He has commanded?

People: No, but we have sinned against Him in thought, word, and deed.

Leader: Then confess your sins to the Lord for with Him there is mercy and abundant redemption.

Unison Confession of Sin

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 93 – The LORD Reigns Over All *
Printed in the bulletin (Trinity Psalter Hymnal, Psalm 93)

Scripture Reading Genesis 6; pew Bible page 5

R.E. Wes Jones Prayer of Thanksgiving and Petitions

Introduction and Communicant Membership Vows Charlotte Anne Swistock

Communicant Membership Vows

- 1. Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope apart from His sovereign mercy?
- 2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
- 3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes a follower of Christ?

- 4. Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work, to the best of your ability?
- 5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Church, and do you promise to study its purity and peace?

Collection

Hymn of the Month

Before the Throne of God Above *
Printed in the bulletin (Trinity Psalter Hymnal, Number 277)

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 3:18-22, page 1016

Rev. Dennis Bullock

Sermon

"Christ Our Victory in a Hostile World"

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!*
Trinity Hymnal, number 535

Rev. Dennis Bullock

Lord's Supper

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Words of Institution *

As part of the Lord's Supper, we confess our common faith.

Confession of Faith *

Westminster Larger Catechism – Question 80

Question: Can true believers be infallibly assured that they are in the estate of grace, and that they shall persevere therein unto salvation?

Answer: Such as truly believe in Christ, and endeavor to walk in all good conscience before him, may, without extraordinary revelation, by faith grounded upon the truth of God's promises, and by the Spirit enabling them to discern in themselves those graces to which the promises of life are made, and bearing witness with their spirits that they are the children of God, be infallibly assured that they are in the estate of grace, and shall persevere therein unto salvation.

As instituted by our Lord, wine is the element used in the Lord's Supper to show forth His Blood on our behalf (Mark 14:23-25).

If, however, for reasons of conscience or health, you are unable to participate using wine, grape juice is provided on the outer ring of the tray.

Gluten-free wafers are provided on each bread tray.

Distribution of the Elements

Doxology*

Trinity Hymnal, number 733

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Benediction

The Lord Reigns over All



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FESTAL SONG S.M. William Howard Walter, 1894

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Charitie Bancroft, 1863; alt.

BEFORE THE THRONE 8.8.8.8.8.8.8.8.8. Vikki Cook; arr. Ruth Coleman

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Sermon Notes

1 Peter 3:19-22

"Christ Our Victory in a Hostile World"

For Further Reflection

1 Peter 3:19-22

"Christ Our Victory in a Hostile World"

1.	What did Christ's sufferings achieve for us (verse 18)? What is the Great Exchange?
2.	What is the significance of Jesus' Ascension to Heaven (verse 22) as well as His proclamation en route (verse 19)?
3.	What are the similarities between Noah and a New Covenant believer who has been baptized (verses 20 and 21)? In what sense are we to understand the phrase "baptism now saves you"?
4.	In the context of undergoing persecution, why is it so helpful to hear of Christ's Ascension and being seated at God's right hand, with angels, authorities, and powers now in subjection to Him (verse 22)?

Lord's Day Activities

9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m. Worship Service5:30 p.m. Worship Service (second Sunday only)Nursery is provided during SundaySchool and Worship.

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