



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

OCTOBER 14, 2018

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

Father, mend us and make us better than we could be without You.

Take those things that are broken in our lives and visit us with Your healing.

And help us to use the strength we receive in Your service and to Your glory. Amen.



The Welcome and Announcements

We Enter Into God's Presence

The Prelude

Canonic Duet in G major for two violins
Audrey McDonald and Lorna Wood, *violin*

Telemann

The Striking of the Hour

† The Ascription of Praise *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

CWM RHONDDA

Open now the crystal fountain,
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through;
strong Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer,
be Thou still my strength and shield,
be Thou still my strength and shield.

Minister: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

People: Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly hosts: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

We Receive Cleansing in Christ

The Morning Prayers

The Silent, Personal Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of God's Pardon – I Timothy 1:15; I Peter 2:24

Hear the good news: This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. **Thanks be to God.**

The General Prayer

We Receive God's Word

The Morning Offering

The Christian Greeting

The Anthem

Blest Are They

David Haas

Chancel Choir with Children's Choirs

(The Congregation is asked to join in singing the refrain below)

Blest Are They

The Beatitudes
Matthew 5:3-12

David Haas

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with many notes tied across bar lines. The lyrics are written below the notes, with blank lines for the congregation to join in.

Re - joice! _____ and be glad! _____

Bless - ed are you, ho - ly are you, Re -

joice! _____ and be glad! _____

Yours is the king - dom of God! _____

The Prayer of Illumination

† The Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 61:1-4; Psalm 147:3
Pages 789 and 667 in the Pew Bible

† The New Testament Lesson

Matthew 8:14-17
Page 1033 in the Pew Bible

† The Response

Minister: All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field.

People: **The grass withers and the flowers fade, but the Word of our God shall stand forever. Amen.**

The Interlude

Children age four through Kindergarten may leave to attend Children's Church.

*Following the worship service, please pick up your four-year-olds from the
Children's Chapel in the Covenant Building (E-100).*

Five-year-olds may be picked up from Room E-212.

The Sermon

FINDING FREEDOM

Mr. Curles

Free From the Past

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A detailed sermon outline can be found inside the morning announcements.

† The Hymn No. 253

There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood

FOUNTAIN

We Commune with God at His Table

† The Confession of Our Faith

Apostles' Creed

(The inside front cover of the *Trinity Hymnal*)

The Invitation to and Fencing of the Table

Family of God, as we draw near to the Lord's Supper to celebrate Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ, let us be grateful and remember that our Lord instituted this sacrament as a perpetual reminder of His dying for our sakes and as a pledge of His undying love for us.

Therefore, Jesus bids us to come to Him in this sacrament in knowledge, faith, repentance, love, and with hearts hungering and thirsting for Him. If we are willingly and stubbornly living in sin, lacking peace in our relationships with others, secretly relying on our own good works for favor with God, then we are warned by God's Word not to receive this sacrament.

But all who are truly sorry for their sins and long to be delivered from the burden of them; all who are weary from brokenness and long to be filled with the life of Christ; all who are doubting and need the assuring embrace of God; all who humbly put their trust in Christ and desire His grace that they may lead a holy life; and, all who are baptized members in an evangelical church, are invited and encouraged in His name to join us in the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Let us therefore come that we may be refreshed and find rest for our souls.

If you are not in a saving relationship with God through Christ today, do not take the bread and cup, but take Christ and receive Him in your heart as those around you receive the meal. Then, immediately following the service, come and tell a minister or one of our leaders what you have done so we can prepare you to receive communion next time as a child of God.

The Prayer of Consecration

The Words of Institution

The Communion

We Go in Thanksgiving to Serve

† The Hymn No. 598

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
(stanzas 1, 3)

CWM RHONDDA

† The Benediction of God's Grace and The Congregation's AMEN

Minister: God Is good!

People: All the time!

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Minister: Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He Who calls you is faithful, and He will do it. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: AMEN.

† The Quiet Meditation and Personal Application of God's Word

† The Postlude

Menuet Gothique

Léon Boëllmann



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