



ORDER FOR THE
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

February 11, 2018, 8:15 a.m.

Season of Epiphany



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please prepare your heart for worship
and silence your mobile devices.*

Proverbs 22:6 tells us to “train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.” Throughout history, the church has used catechisms to help teach adults and children alike the basics of the Bible. They, by no means, replace scripture but instead give us a systemized way to learn and remember the truths of scripture as we grow in knowledge throughout our lives.

One such catechism is the Heidelberg. The Heidelberg Catechism has been used by the Church for over 450 years and is the most personal and devotional of the Reformation-era creeds and confessions. In the Catechism’s 129 questions, the overall theme is “comfort” and the emphasis is on how the person and work of Jesus Christ benefit the believer.

Today, we remind ourselves of question 32, which asks “Why are you called a Christian?” Let us reflect on and profess the truths the answer states (below) and bless the Lord for His grace in saving us.

LIFT UP YOUR VOICES TO THE LORD

ORGAN AND BRASS PRELUDE: “Crown Him with Many Crowns” . . . arr. Lloyd Larson
Samuel Metzger, organ

CHORAL MEDITATION: “Total Praise” Richard Smallwood

Lord, I will lift my eyes to the hills, knowing my help is coming from You.
Your peace You give me in time of the storm.
You are the source of my strength, You are the strength of my life.
I lift my hands in total praise to You. Amen.

*The Westminster Singers
Calvin Ellis, director*

CALL TO WORSHIP L. Brett Wynne

♣HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 358 “For All the Saints” SINE NOMINE

♣INVOCATION (*please raise hands*)

♣THE CONFESSION OF FAITH: Heidelberg Catechism Q. 32 Grace Knight

Why are you called a Christian?

**Because by faith I am a member of Christ
and so I share in His anointing.
I am anointed to confess His name,
to present myself to Him as a living sacrifice of thanks,
to strive with a free conscience against sin and the devil in this life,
and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation for eternity.**

♣GLORIA PATRI GREATOREX

**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!**

RECEIVE THE GRACE OF THE LORD

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Father,
in humble repentance we confess that we have too often forgotten
that we are Your sons and daughters.
Sometimes we live as if there is no God,
and we fail in being credible witnesses to You.
We have denied You with silence, passivity, and cowardice.
Instead of following Your ways, we have turned to our own.
Instead of honoring You, we have desired the applause of man.
For these things we ask for Your forgiveness and Your renewing grace.
Transform us into courageous ambassadors of Christ
and remind us we are Your servants,
regardless of who we are or our position in this life.
Draw us ever closer to You
and embolden us to take up our cross daily and follow You.
For the sake of Jesus our Savior, we pray, Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

✦DOXOLOGY..... TALLIS' CANON

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Festive Praise" Allen Pote

Sing to the Lord a song of praise, a wonderful, marvelous song.
Sing to the Lord with joy in your heart, a wonderful, marvelous song.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.
Alleluia, alleluia, sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord,
A marvelous song.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦GREETINGS..... Dan G. Burns

A WORD FROM PRESBYTERIAN DAY SCHOOL L. McKee Humphreys *PDS Director of Development*

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN

CONSECRATE YOUR LIVES TO THE LORD

✦PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER *(please stand)*

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

✦HYMN OF PREPARATION: "Take My Life, and Let It Be" HENDON

**Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee,
Swift and beautiful for Thee.**

**Take my will, and make it Thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is Thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne,
It shall be Thy royal throne.**

**Take my love; my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure-store.
Take my self, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee,
Ever, only, all for Thee.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 6:1-7
(page 914 in pew Bible)

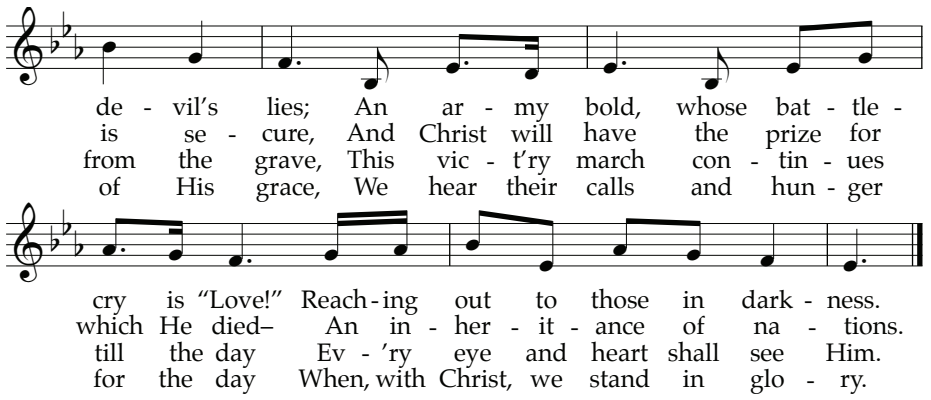
All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;
**The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever.** *(Isaiah 40:6b, 8)*

SERMON *Fellow Workers* George W. Robertson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦HYMN OF COMMITMENT: "O Church Arise" Keith and Kristyn Getty

1. O Church, a - rise and put your ar - mor on; Hear the
2. Our call to war, to love the cap - tive soul, But to
3. Come, see the cross where love and mer - cy meet, As the
4. So Spi - rit, come, put strength in ev - 'ry stride, Give
call of Christ our cap - tain; For now the weak can say that
rage a - gainst the cap - tor; And with the sword that makes the
Son of God is strick - en; Then see His foes lie crushed be -
grace for ev - 'ry hur - dle, That we may run with faith to
they are strong In the strength that God has gi - ven. With
wound - ed whole We will fight with faith and val - or. When
neath His feet, For the Con - quer - er has ris - en! And
win the prize Of a ser - vant good and faith - ful. As
shield of faith and belt of truth We'll stand a - gainst the
faced with trials on ev - 'ry side, We know the out - come
as the stone is rolled a - way, And Christ e - mer - ges
saints of old still line the way, Re - tell - ing tri - umphs



de - vil's lies; An ar - my bold, whose bat - tle -
 is se - cure, And Christ will have the prize for
 from the grave, This vic - t'ry march con - tin - ues
 of His grace, We hear their calls and hun - ger
 cry is "Love!" Reach - ing out to those in dark - ness.
 which He died - An in - her - it - ance of na - tions.
 till the day Ev - 'ry eye and heart shall see Him.
 for the day When, with Christ, we stand in glo - ry.

✦BENEDICTION *(please raise hands)*

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Toccata Brevis" Daniel Gawthrop

✦Indicates congregation standing

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I. People Attended to with Equity (Acts 6:1, 7)

- A. Numerous But Not Numbers

- B. Different But Not Dismissed

II. Elders Attend to Word and Sacrament (Acts 6:2, 4)

- A. Redemptive Complaints

- B. Real Shepherds

III. Deacons Attend to Tables (Acts 6:3, 5-6)

- A. Widows

- B. Unserved

- C. Poor