



## Worship Bulletin

Dear Ones,

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and strength, and love your neighbor as yourself.

Warmly,

Steve

### **God the Father Calls Us to Worship Him**

#### **The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost: Ordinary Time**

We are now in the season after Pentecost, known as "Ordinary Time." Having celebrated the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church at Pentecost, Ordinary Time signals the interim of the Church until Christ comes again in glory. Jesus is faithfully advancing His Kingdom in the power of His Spirit in this season. We anticipate the consummation of all things when Christ comes in His glory as King of all.

#### **Preparation for Worship**

*Eat, Drink, Rejoice*

"The Resurrection of Christ was the truth of all truths among the early believers. It was not the day of His death they made their Sabbath, but the first day of the week—the day when the sadness of the weeping women at the sepulcher was turned into gladness...conscious that a new and nobler Genesis had dawned on a darkened world." -*John MacDuff*

"Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb." -*Revelation 19:9*

#### **Call to Worship**

*Psalms 84:1-2, 10-12*

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

**My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;**

My heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

**For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.**

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

**For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor.**

No good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly.

**O LORD of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in You!**

#### **Invocation**

#### **Song of Adoration**

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY!**

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, Blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,  
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee;  
Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, Blessed Trinity!

*"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, Who was, and is, and is to come."*  
-*Revelation 4:8*

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#### **Welcome**

*We are glad you have joined us this morning! If you are visiting our church for the first time, we encourage you to use our online ["Keeping in Touch" form](#) to introduce yourself, request prayer, or request more information about our church.*

#### **Gospel Reading**

*Mark 3:1-6*

Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. And they watched Jesus, to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man with the withered hand, "Come here." And he said to them, "Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

## Reflecting on the Lord's Prayer

*adapted from the Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 124 (1563)*

What do we mean when we pray to our Heavenly Father, "Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven"?

**When we pray to our Heavenly Father, "Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven" we mean:**

**Help us and all people to reject our own wills and to obey Your will without any back talk. Your will alone is good.<sup>1</sup>**

**Help us one and all to carry out the work we are called to,<sup>2</sup> as willingly and faithfully as the angels in heaven.<sup>3</sup>**

*1 Matt. 7:21, 16:24-26, Luke 22:42, Rom. 12:1-2, Titus 2:11-12; 2 I Cor. 7:17-24, Eph. 6:5-9; 3 Ps. 103:20-21*

## The Ministry of Prayer

*Concluding with the Lord's Prayer, Matthew 6:9-13*

**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 the evil one.  
For Thine is the Kingdom and the power  
and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## Offering

*If participation in the offering is part of your weekly worship, please place your offering in one of offering plates near the rear Sanctuary doors, mail your offering to the church office (9008 Quioccasin Road, Henrico, VA, 23229), or visit our website ([www.wepc.org/resources/giving](http://www.wepc.org/resources/giving)) for online giving options.*

## Song of Praise

### WE WILL FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF ZION

*We will feast in the house of Zion.  
We will sing with our hearts restored.  
"He has done great things," we will say together;  
We will feast and weep no more.*

We will not be burned by the fire;  
He is the Lord our God.  
We are not consumed by the flood,  
Upheld, protected, gathered up...

In the dark of night before the dawn,  
My soul be not afraid.  
For the promised morning, oh how long,  
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength...

Every vow we've broken and betrayed,  
You are the faithful one.  
And from the garden to the grave,  
Bind us together, bring shalom...

*"For a people shall dwell in Zion, in Jerusalem; you shall weep no more."  
-Isaiah 30:19*

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## Children's Message (10:30 AM)

*Emily Meeks, Director of Children's Ministry*

## God the Son Renews Us through His Word

### Scripture Reading

*Nehemiah 8:9-12*

<sup>9</sup> And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. <sup>10</sup> Then he said to them, "Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength." <sup>11</sup> So the Levites calmed all the people, saying, "Be quiet, for this day is holy; do not be grieved." <sup>12</sup> And all the people went their way to eat and drink and to send portions and to make great rejoicing, because they had understood the words that were declared to them.

### Sermon

*Each Sunday, Worship Notes with the Scripture text, study questions, and recordings are posted at [www.wepc.org/worship/sermons](http://www.wepc.org/worship/sermons).*

## God the Holy Spirit Transforms Us by His Grace

### Confession of Sin

*The Book of Common Prayer*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us. Amen.**

*Silent Confession of Sin*

### Words of Encouragement

*Matthew 11:28-29*

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

## Songs of Response to God's Grace

### WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS (THE WONDERFUL CROSS)

When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of Glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down.  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

*O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross,  
Bids me come and die and find that I may truly live.  
O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross,  
All who gather here, by grace draw near,  
and bless Your name.*

Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were an offering far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

*"For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are  
being saved it is the power of God." -1 Corinthians 1:18  
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### THE LORD OUR GOD

Promise maker, promise keeper,  
You finish what You begin.  
Our provision through the desert,  
You see it through till the end,  
You see it through till the end...

*The Lord our God is ever faithful,  
Never changing through the ages.  
From this darkness You will lead us,  
And forever we will say,  
"You're the Lord our God."*

In the silence, in the waiting,  
Still we can know You are good.  
All Your plans are for Your glory;  
Yes we can know You are good,  
Yes we can know You are good...

We won't move without You,  
We won't move without You.  
You're the light of all and all that we need.

*"The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in my  
whom I take refuge. He is my shield and the horn of my salvation, my  
stronghold." -Psalm 18:2  
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### DOXOLOGY

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

*"Let everything that has breath praise the LORD." -Psalm 150:6  
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"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in  
prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show  
hospitality." -Romans 12:12-13

## Benediction

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**Pastor Steve Shelby** preached today's sermon. Worship was led by **B-J Huff**. **Chris Newlin, Erin Bouknight, Becca Wethered, Jamison Taggart,** and **Troy Arnold** led this morning's congregational singing. **Gordon Kuhfuss, Pastor Joe Brown, and Tim Andrews** managed today's audio and video live stream. **Scott Dicken** managed the in-house video system.

*In the event that an attendee of a worship service tests positive for COVID-19, WEPC will contact the Virginia Department of Health and follow the advised protocols for notifying attendees who may have been exposed to the virus.*