

# The Lord's Day

April 8, 2018  
10:30 AM

*We welcome you to worship today. It is a privilege to have you as our guest.  
As you enter the sanctuary, begin to worship quietly with personal prayer.  
Please turn off your cell phone and turn your thoughts toward God.*

## We prepare for worship

*Take a moment and meditate on this as you prepare for worship...*

*"...and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.* **Daniel 7:13, 14**

Prelude

Coronation

Burkhardt

Mrs. Gloria Hague, Director of Music

## We praise our great God

\*Call to Worship (responsive)

Isaiah 60:1-3 (ESV)

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.  
**For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;**  
But the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you.  
**And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.**

\*Hymn No. 598

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

Cwm Rhondda

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow'rful hand;  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me til I want no more,  
Feed me till I want no more.

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.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death and hell's Destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side;  
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee,  
I will ever give to thee.

\*Invocation

## We embrace Christ our Savior

Psalter Reading (responsive)

Psalms 47

(Hymnal pg. 803)

Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy.  
**How awesome is the LORD Most High, the great King over all the earth!**  
He subdued nations under us, peoples under our feet.  
**He chose our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob, whom he loved.**  
God has ascended amid shouts of joy, the LORD amid the sounding of trumpets.  
**Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.**  
For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise.

**God reigns over the nations; God is seated on his holy throne.**

The nobles of the nations assemble as the people of the God of Abraham,  
**for the kings of the earth belong to God; he is greatly exalted.**

Assurance of Pardon (responsive)

Philippians 2:8-11 (ESV)

And being found in human form, [Christ] humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

**Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name,**

So that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
**and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

\*Confession of Faith (unison)

Westminster Larger Catechism, Q 177

Wherein do the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper agree? **The sacraments of baptism and the Lord's supper agree, in that the author of both is God;<sup>1</sup> the spiritual part of both is Christ and His benefits;<sup>2</sup> both are seals of the same covenant,<sup>3</sup> are to be dispensed by ministers of the gospel, and by none other;<sup>4</sup> and to be continued in the Church of Christ until His second coming.<sup>5</sup>**

<sup>1</sup> Matt. 28:19; 1 Cor. 11:23    <sup>2</sup> Rom. 6:3, 4; 1 Cor. 10:16    <sup>3</sup> Rom. 4:11; Col. 2:12; Matt. 26:27, 28

<sup>4</sup> John 1:33; Matt. 28:19; 1 Cor. 11:23; Heb. 5:4    <sup>5</sup> Matt. 28:19, 20; 1 Cor. 11:26

\*Hymn (insert)

*O Church, Arise*

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**O church, arise** and put your armor on; Hear the call of Christ our captain;  
 For now the weak can say that they are strong In the strength that God has given.  
 With shield of faith and belt of truth We'll stand against the devil's lies;  
 An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!" Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul, But to rage against the captor;  
 And with the sword that makes the wounded whole We will fight with faith and valor.  
 When faced with trials on ev'ry side, We know the outcome is secure,  
 And Christ will have the prize for which He died—An inheritance of nations.

Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet, As the Son of God is stricken;  
 Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, For the Conqueror has risen!  
 And as the stone is rolled away, And Christ emerges from the grave,  
 This vict'ry march continues till the day Ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride, Give grace for ev'ry hurdle,  
 That we may run with faith to win the prize Of a servant good and faithful.  
 As saints of old still line the way, Retelling triumphs of His grace,  
 We hear their calls and hunger for the day When, with Christ, we stand in glory.

Aisquith Life and Opportunities

The Prayers of God's People and the Lord's Prayer (in unison)

**We respond in gratitude for God's blessing**

\*The Doxology (Hymnal, pg. 731) and Prayer of Dedication

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory

*Now the Green Blade Riseth*

John Carter

Wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain; Love lives again, that with the dead has been: Love is come again like wheat that springeth green. In the grave they laid him, Love whom hate had slain, Thinking that never he would wake again; Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen: Forth he came at Easter, Like the risen grain, He that in the grave had lain; Quick from the dead My risen Lord is seen: Love is come again like wheat that springeth green. When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, Thy touch can call us back to life again; Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been: Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

**Musical Interlude**

*After the Offertory, children grades 1-4 may recess for Children's Church through the side door, or may remain with their families.*

**We hear God speak in Word and Sacrament**

Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

(Pew Bible, pg. 706)

**The Great Commission**

<sup>16</sup> Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup> And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Sermon

"The Kingdom's Assignment"

Pastor Bell

Hymn (insert)

*We Come as Guests Invited*

Munich (No. 140)

**We come as guests invited** when Jesus bids us dine,  
His friends on earth united to share the bread and wine;  
The bread of life is broken, the wine is freely poured  
For us, in solemn token of Christ our dying Lord.

We eat and drink, receiving from Christ the grace we need,  
And in our hearts believing on Him by faith we feed;  
With wonder and thanksgiving for love that knows no end,  
We find in Jesus living our ever present friend.

One bread is ours for sharing, one single, fruitful vine,  
Our fellowship declaring renewed in bread and wine—  
Renewed, sustained and given by token, sign and word,  
The pledge and seal of heaven, the love of Christ our Lord.

The Lord's Supper

**We respond to God's grace**

\*Hymn No. 444

*O Zion Haste, Your Mission High Fulfilling*

Tidings

O Zion, haste, your mission high fulfilling, to tell to all the world that God is light;  
That he who made all nations is not willing one soul should perish, lost in shades of night.

***Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace; tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.***

Behold how many thousands still are lying bound in the darksome prison-house of sin,  
With none to tell them of the Savior's dying, or of the life he died for them to win.

Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation that God, in whom they live and move, is love;  
Tell how he stooped to save his lost creation, and died on earth that man might live above.

Give of your sons to bear the message glorious; give of your wealth to speed them on their way;  
Pour out your soul for them in prayer victorious; and all your spending Jesus will repay.

\*Benediction and Three-Fold *Amen* (Hymnal, pg. 740)

Postlude

*Hornpipe*

Danish

Purcell

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\*Those who are able, please stand.

**If you would like to give a special gift** for our music ministry you can do so by using a pink pew envelope and marking it “Tiemann Music Fund.” Your gifts make it possible for us to bring in a variety of musicians to enhance our worship service.

**The Same-Sex Attraction Conference** registration must be done on-line by April 21<sup>st</sup>. The registration at 8 AM the day of the conference is to check in and receive your materials and name tag, not to sign up and pay. Sorry for any confusion the promotional material has caused.

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### **This Week at Aisquith**

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Worship and the Lord’s Supper Children’s Church (grades 1-4) No Youth Group tonight!</b>
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Young Adult Bible Study</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Ladies’ Bible Study (church library)</b>
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Men’s Bible Study (1<sup>st</sup> floor classroom)</b>
	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Ladies’ Bible Study (church library)</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>7:30 PM</b>	<b>Youth Bible Study (call for location)</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>7:30 PM</b>	<b>Choir practice</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>7:00-9:00 PM</b>	<b>Youth Group (meet at the church)</b>
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Worship Children’s Church (grades 1-4)</b>

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