

# The Lord's Day

August 4, 2019  
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...*

*The Psalter ought to be a precious and beloved book, if for no other reason than this: it promises Christ's death and resurrection so clearly—and pictures his kingdom and the condition and nature of all Christendom—that it might well be called a little Bible. In it is comprehended most beautifully and briefly everything that is in the entire Bible.*  
*Martin Luther*

Prelude

Mr. Scott Engel, organist

## We praise our great God

\*Call to Worship (responsive)

Psalms 18:1-3, 46 (ESV)

I love you, O LORD, my strength.

**The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,**

my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

**I call upon the LORD, who is worthy of praise, and I am saved from my enemies.**

The LORD lives! And blessed be [our] Rock, and exalted be the God of [our] salvation—

\*Hymn No. 95

*Though Troubles Assail Us*

Joanna

Though troubles assail us, and dangers affright,  
though friends should all fail us and foes all unite,  
yet one thing secures us, whatever betide,  
the promise assures us, "The Lord will provide."

The birds, without garner or storehouse, are fed;  
from them let us learn to trust God for our bread.  
His saints what is fitting shall ne'er be denied  
So long as 'tis written, "The Lord will provide."

When Satan assails us to stop up our path,  
and courage all fails us, we triumph by faith.  
He cannot take from us, though oft he has tried,  
This heart-cheering promise, "The Lord will provide."

No strength of our own, and no goodness we claim;  
yet, since we have known of the Savior's great name,  
in this our strong tower for safety we hide:  
the Lord is our power, "The Lord will provide."

\*Invocation

## We embrace Christ our Savior

Confession of Sin (unison)

Richard Baxter (1615-1691)

**O most great, most just and gracious God; thou art of purer eyes than to behold iniquity; but thou has promised mercy through Jesus Christ to all that repent and believe in him. We confess that we**

**have all sinned and come short of the glory of God. We have neglected and abused thy holy worship. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors. We have not sought first thy kingdom. Thou hast revealed thy wonderful love to us in Christ and offered us pardon and salvation in him; but we have turned away. We have run into temptation; and the sin that we should have hated, we have committed.**

**Have mercy on us, most merciful Father! In thy Son is our salvation, in thy promises our hope. Take us for thy children and give us the Spirit of thy Son, and in the end receive us into thy glory, through Jesus Christ our only Savior. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon (responsive)

Ephesians 5:8-14a (ESV)

For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light **(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true)**, and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them.

**For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret.**

But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light.

\*Hymn No. 606

*Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord*

Camacha

Teach me thy way, O Lord; teach me thy way!  
Thy guiding grace afford; teach me thy way!  
Help me to walk aright, more by faith less by sight;  
Lead me with heav'nly light; teach me thy way!

When I am sad at heart, teach me thy way!  
When earthly joys depart, teach me thy way!  
In hours of loneliness, in times of dire distress,  
In failure or success, teach me thy way!

When doubts and fears arise, teach me thy way!  
When storms o'er spread the skies, teach me thy way!  
Shine through the cloud and rain, thro' sorrow, toil and pain;  
Make thou my pathway plain; teach me thy way!

Long as my life shall last, teach me thy way!  
Where'er my lot be cast, teach me thy way!  
Until the race is run, until the journey's done,  
Until the crown is won, teach me they way!

Confession Faith (unison)

The Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 31

Why is Jesus called the Christ? **Because He is ordained of God the Father, and anointed with the Holy Ghost,<sup>1</sup> to be our chief Prophet and Teacher,<sup>2</sup> who has fully revealed to us the secret counsel and will of God concerning our redemption; and to be our only High Priest, who by the one sacrifice of His body, has redeemed us,<sup>3</sup> and makes continual intercession with the Father for us;<sup>4</sup> and also to be our eternal King,<sup>5</sup> who governs us by His word and Spirit, and who defends and preserves us<sup>6</sup> in (the enjoyment of) that salvation, He has purchased for us.**

<sup>1</sup> Heb. 1:9   <sup>2</sup> Deut. 18:18; Acts 3:22; Jn 1:18; 15:15; Matt. 11:27   <sup>3</sup> Ps. 110:4;

Heb 7:21; 10:14   <sup>4</sup> Rom. 8:34   <sup>5</sup> Ps. 2:6; Lk 1:33   <sup>6</sup> Matt. 28:18; Jn 10:28

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

*How Great Thou Art*O Store Gud  
Marion Briscuso, piano  
JonCarlos Ley, soloist*The children may dismiss for church-time programs.***We hear God speak in Word and Sacrament**

Scripture Reading

Psalm 27

(Pew Bible, pg. 393)

**The LORD Is My Light and My Salvation  
Of David.****27** The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear?The LORD is the stronghold<sup>[refuge]</sup> of my life;  
of whom shall I be afraid?<sup>2</sup> When evildoers assail me  
to eat up my flesh,  
my adversaries and foes,

it is they who stumble and fall.

<sup>3</sup> Though an army encamp against me,  
my heart shall not fear;though war arise against me,  
yet<sup>[in this]</sup> I will be confident.<sup>4</sup> One thing have I asked of the LORD,  
that will I seek after:that I may dwell in the house of the LORD  
all the days of my life,to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD  
and to inquire<sup>[meditate]</sup> in his temple.<sup>5</sup> For he will hide me in his shelter  
in the day of trouble;he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;  
he will lift me high upon a rock.<sup>6</sup> And now my head shall be lifted up  
above my enemies all around me,and I will offer in his tent  
sacrifices with shouts of joy;

I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

<sup>7</sup> Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;  
be gracious to me and answer me!<sup>8</sup> You have said, “Seek<sup>[command, plural: “you all seek”]</sup> my face.”

My heart says to you,

“Your face, LORD, do I seek.”<sup>[uncertain meaning]</sup><sup>9</sup> Hide not your face from me.

Turn not your servant away in anger,

O you who have been my help.  
 Cast me not off; forsake me not,  
 O God of my salvation!  
<sup>10</sup> For my father and my mother have forsaken me,  
 but the LORD will take me in.  
<sup>11</sup> Teach me your way, O LORD,  
 and lead me on a level path  
 because of my enemies.  
<sup>12</sup> Give me not up to the will of my adversaries;  
 for false witnesses have risen against me,  
 and they breathe out violence.  
<sup>13</sup> I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD  
 in the land of the living!  
<sup>14</sup> Wait for the LORD;  
 be strong, and let your heart take courage;  
 wait for the LORD!

Sermon  
 Hymn No. 667

“What It Means to Trust in God”  
*God Is My Strong Salvation*

Pastor Bell  
 Mein Leben

God is my strong salvation; what foe have I to fear?  
 In darkness and temptation my light, my help is near.  
 Though hosts encamp around me, firm to the fight I stand;  
 What terror can confound me, with God at my right hand?  
 Place on the Lord reliance, my soul, with courage wait;  
 His truth be your affiance, when faint and desolate.  
 His might your heart shall strengthen, his love your joy increase;  
 Mercy your days shall lengthen; the Lord will give you peace.

The Lord's Supper

**We respond to God's grace**

\*Hymn No. 431

*A Parting Hymn We Sing*

Schumann

A parting hymn we sing around your table, Lord;  
 Again our grateful tribute bring, our solemn vows record.  
 Here have we seen your face, and felt your presence here;  
 So may the savor of your grace in word and life appear.  
 We're purchased by your blood, by sin no longer let;  
 The path our dear Redeemer trod may we rejoicing tread.  
 In self-forgetting love he our communion shown,  
 Until we join the church above, and know as we are known.

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

Danish

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 \*Those who are able, please stand.

**Nursery Attendants: TODAY**, Christine Clark; **NEXT WEEK**, August 11<sup>th</sup>, Judi Mason.

**There will be no Sunday School classes until after Labor Day.**

**Pray for our Impact Team** as they recover from their week in Cherokee, NC. Pray for the Lord's continued blessing on their work and contacts: John & Julie Ceselsky, Angelo Cicone, Karen Wallace, and Rick Willis.

**This Week at Aisquith**

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Worship and the Lord's Supper No Youth Group Tonight!</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>7-8:30 PM</b>	<b>WIC Book Club</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Youth Group</b>

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