

# ST. PAUL'S

For The Glory of God & The Joy of All Peoples

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

On the Lord's Day Morning Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost November 9, 2025, at 10:30



To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire hope; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whoever will come—this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The sounding of the bells calls us to quiet our hearts before worship.

Welcome

Prelude

Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light

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Worship is a dialogue. God speaks to us in the Call to Worship and we respond in prayer and praise. Call to Worship

From Psalm 96

Minister: Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD,

all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of

his salvation from day to day.

People: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous

works among all the peoples! For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are worthless

idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

Minister: Say among the nations,

Unison: "The LORD reigns!"

+ congregation standing

¤ congregation kneeling



#### † Psalm of Praise

Hymn A • From the Psalter

Psalm 145

Musical Setting by Ronald Owen

"Through [Christ] let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name" (Hebrews 13:15).

#### † Prayer of Adoration

Unison:

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you, and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

#### † Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 45:14-25

Pew Bible, page 606

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

# <sup>n</sup> Prayer of Confession

Unison:

Lord of grace and truth, you command us to have no other gods before you. But we have run after idols. You command us to worship according to your Word. But we have worshiped according to our own imaginations and preferences. You command us to hallow your name. But we have dishonored it. You command us to keep the Sabbath holy. But we have treated it like any other day. You command us to honor our father and mother. But we have dishonored and disobeyed those in authority.

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"Devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture" (I Timothy 4:13).

You command us to preserve life. But we have committed murder in our hearts. You command us not to commit adultery. But we have been unfaithful. You command us not to steal. But we have taken what does not belong to us. You command us not to bear false witness. But we have slandered our neighbor. You command us not to covet. But we have been discontent. You tell us that if we love you we will keep your commandments. But we have not loved you or kept your commandments. And so, we humbly repent and ask you to forgive us. Help us to love you out of the great love with which you first loved us, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Please take a moment to silently confess your sin.

#### \* Assurance of Pardon

From Ephesians 2

Minister: Hear this good news! By grace you have been saved

through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

<sup>¤</sup> Pastoral Prayer



† **Hymn of Proclamation** Hymn B • Trinity Hymnal #71 Stand Up, O God, Be Present Now STAND UP

This prayer may include elements of adoration, confession, thanksgiving, and supplication. Special attention is given to the needs, sorrows, and joys of our local congregation. As a shepherd of the flock, the pastor prays that God would be glorified and enjoyed in our midst.

#### † Affirmation of Faith

# The Westminster Confession of Faith

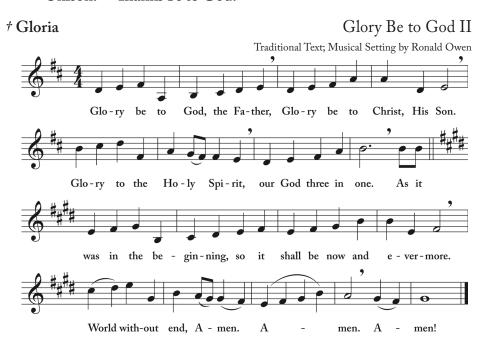
Of Religious Worship and the Sabbath Day

Chapter 21.1-2

Unison:

The light of nature shows that there is a God who has lordship and sovereignty over all, that he is good and does good to all, and that he ought therefore to be feared, loved, praised, prayed to, trusted in, and served with all the heart, and with all the soul, and with all the might. But the acceptable way of worshiping the true God has been instituted by himself, and so limited by his own revealed will, that he may not be worshiped according to the imaginations or devisings of men, or the suggestions of Satan, or under any visible representation, or any other way not commanded in Hoy Scripture. Religious worship is to be given to God alone—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It is not to be given to angels, saints, or any other creature. And since the Fall, worship is not to be given except through a mediator, nor is it to be given through any mediator other than Christ.

Unison: Thanks be to God!



Children are welcome for our entire service. Following the Gloria, a specifically designed time for children aged four through first grade is also provided. Those interested can meet at the back of the Fellowship Hall.

#### † New Testament Lesson

Acts 19:11-41

Pew Bible, page 928

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. Justin Borger

TO THE END OF THE EARTH:

A Riot in Ephesus



† Psalm of Response

Psalm 2

Hymn C • From the Psalter

Musical Setting by Ronald Owen

Giving to God and Choral Offertory

Cry No More

Words by Johanna Anderson Music by Dan Forrest

In the shadow where we linger, in this darkness we call home, Where the sighs are deep and doubtful and our aspirations groan, All is not in vain, Beloved, our travail is not unknown.

Christ within us, Christ among us, Christ the first and Christ the last; Love Incarnate, hold Your children till the storm of life is past.

Though we have not faith to seek Him, Christ Himself will draw us near,

Deep, abiding rays of mercy cast their light on only fear.

Cry no more, ye poor and weary, our redeeming Lord is here.

Sure defender, never failing, radiant Savior, Holy Friend, Gift of glory, Hope of heaven, call us now to faith again! Alleluia! Blest compassion, grace is shining without end!

"But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also" (2 Corinthians 8:7).

It is the duty of all who hear God's word preached to listen carefully, prayerfully, and to

receive the truth with humility.

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### † Prayer of Dedication

#### † Benediction

† Sending Forth Hymn

Hymn D • Trinity Hymnal #92 (Verses 3 and 4)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious

Please take a moment to greet those around you.

In this Prayer of Dedication, the minister asks God to use the gifts of his people for the advancement of his kingdom and the praise of his glory.

# Psalm 145







# Stand Up, O God, Be Present Now

May God arise, may his enemies be scattered; may his foes flee before him. Ps. 68:1





# Psalm 2



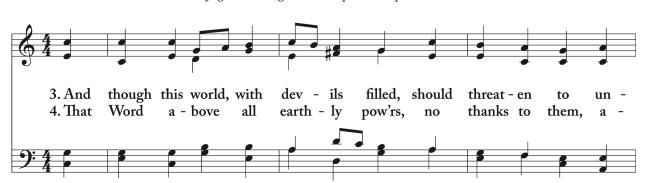




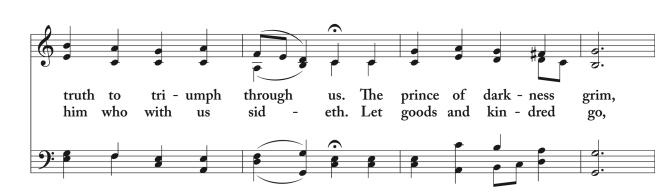


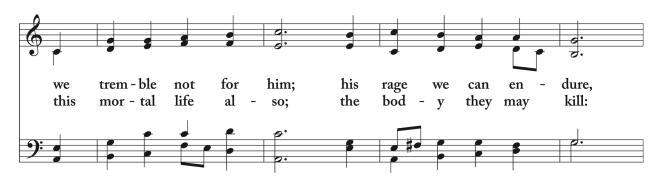
# A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Ps. 46:1











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# DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

Use this plan for your daily Bible reading.

• Sunday, November 9	Joel 1 • Psalm 140-141
• Monday, Novemer 10	Joel 2 • Psalm 142
• Tuesday, November 11	Joel 3 • Psalm 143
• Wednesday, November 12	Amos 1 • Psalm 144
• Thursday, November 13	Amos 2 • Psalm 145
• Friday, November 14	Amos 3 • Psalm 146-147
• Saturday, November 15	Amos 4 • Psalm 148-150

# WEEKLY SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Use these questions to reflect more deeply on this week's sermon.

- 1. Why shouldn't we expect to see the same kind of "extraordinary miracles" described in Acts 19:11-12 today? What was the purpose of these miracles at this point in redemptive history?
- 2. How did the sons of Sceva misunderstand and misuse Jesus' name? Can you think of contemporary examples of how people continue to misunderstand and misuse Jesus' name today?
- 3. What kind of financial impact did the gospel have in Ephesus? What kind of impact should the gospel have on our personal finances and public economy?
- 4. How does God continue to manifest his power today in ways that are similar to what we see in Acts 19?
- 5. What did Paul's ministry in Ephesus expose about the nature of idolatry?
- 6. How does Luke's story vindicate Christians as good citizens who are on the side of law and order?

# MONTHLY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

Devote time to memorizing this passage of Scripture throughout the month.

"In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35).

# ABOUT WORSHIP

In his encounter with the woman of Samaria, Jesus explained that "God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24). The reason Jesus says true worshipers must worship in this way is because God himself "is spirit." Here we discover the simple yet profound principle that true worship is a response to God as he has personally revealed himself. Thus, conformity to God's character is the key to true worship. "Great is the LORD," as the psalmist puts it, "and greatly to be praised" (Psalm 48:1)! In worship, we seek to reflect this divine reality, declaring with our lips and demonstrating with our lives that God is supremely precious and therefore worthy of all glory and honor and praise.

# THE SHAPE OF WORSHIP



Entering God's Presence—We gather in response to God's call to worship, joyfully offering praise to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. With reverence and awe, we confess our sins and receive God's forgiveness, which is declared in Jesus' name.



**Renewing Our Faith**—Worship continues with a focus on God's Word. Our faith is renewed as we publicly confess the truth of God, join our hearts and voices in prayers and hymns of praise to God, and hear the good news of God powerfully proclaimed.



Responding in Thanks—As hearing becomes doing, we respond to the proclamation of God's Word. Songs of praise continue to be raised and the gifts and offerings of God's people are collected. On Communion Sundays we are invited to celebrate the Lord's Supper. With God's blessing upon us, we are sent into the world to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ!

# Why Do We Worship in This Way?

In this section, we answer a question about worship each week.

Question: Why are we asked to kneel at various times in worship?

Answer: Body language is powerful, and God's Word frequently commands us to use our bodies to communicate the disposition of our hearts in worship. "Oh come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!" (Psalm 95:6, 63:4, 150:5; 1 Timothy 2:8)

# WELCOME, VISITORS!

We are delighted you have joined us for worship. Our hope is that you find our worship service glorifying to God and personally refreshing.

We would love to connect with you. Please stop by our Welcome Kiosk in the Narthex after the service so that we may greet you in person and provide you a *Welcome Bag*. To connect with us, please use the QR code below to fill out a *Connect Card*.



## Our Vision

To see the invisible kingdom of heaven made visible, for the glory of God and the joy of all peoples.

## Our Mission

To grow in grace and give away our lives in the following seven major ministry areas:

Worship that exalts God in Christ and promotes unity in the Spirit

Discipleship that is rooted in the Scriptures and centered in the gospel

Community that is characterized by discipleship and care for one another

Local Missions that promotes the common good and evangelizes the lost

Global Missions that participates in church planting and spreading the gospel
to the ends of the earth

**Children's Ministry** that partners with parents to build children up in the faith through loving care and Reformed biblical teaching

Youth Ministry that promotes maturity, joy, and identity in Christ

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