

Lord's Day Worship

March 9, 2025

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP HIM

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Deuteronomy 7:6-11 Rev. Dave Lindberg

"For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations, and repays to their face those who hate him, by destroying them. He will not be slack with one who hates him. He will repay him to his face. You shall therefore be careful to do the commandment and the statutes and the rules that I command you today.

*SONG

Come praise and glorify our God, The Father of our Lord In Christ He has in heav'nly realms, His blessings on us poured For pure and blameless in His sight, He destined us to be And now we've been adopted through His Son eternally

Chorus To the praise of Your glory, To the praise of Your mercy and grace To the praise of Your glory, You are the God who saves

COME PRAISE AND GLORIFY

Come praise and glorify our God, Who gives His grace in Christ In Him our sins are washed away, Redeemed through sacrifice In Him God has made known to us, The myst'ry of His will That Christ should be the head of all, His purpose to fulfill (chorus)

*Please stand if you are able

Come praise and glorify our God, For we've believed the Word And through our faith we have a seal, The Spirit of the Lord The Spirit guarantees our hope,

Until redemption's done Until we join in endless praise, To God the Three in One (chorus x2)

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Apostles' Creed

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

People of God, what do you believe?

We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*That is, the true Christian church of all times and all places.

*SONG

1

How deep the Father's love for us How vast beyond all measure That he should give his only Son To make a wretch his treasure. How great the pain of searing loss The Father turns his face away. As wounds which mar the Chosen One Bring many sons to glory. 2 Behold the Man upon a cross,

My sin upon his shoulders, Ashamed I hear my mocking voice Call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held him there Until it was accomplished. His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished. HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

3

I will not boast in anything No gifts, no power, no wisdom. But I will boast in Jesus Christ His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from his reward? I cannot give an answer. But this I know with all my heart His wounds have paid my ransom.

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GOD CLEANSES US FROM OUR SIN

CONFESSION OF SIN

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Leader:In Christ you are forgiven.People:Thanks be to God.

SONG

(Collection of tithes, gifts and offerings)

Holy Father, Son and Spirit Holy Communion, Three in One. Come with Your peace with Your invitation Bind us together in holy love. © 2016 Drink Your Tea Music CCLI # 11058703

*SCRIPTURE READING

Leviticus 7:11-18 Liesl Raikes

TRINITY SONG

¹¹ "And this is the law of the sacrifice of peace offerings that one may offer to the LORD.
¹² If he offers it for a thanksgiving, then he shall offer with the thanksgiving sacrifice unleavened loaves mixed with oil, unleavened wafers smeared with oil, and loaves of fine flour well mixed with oil. ¹³ With the sacrifice of his peace offerings for thanksgiving he shall bring his offering with loaves of leavened bread. ¹⁴ And from it he shall offer one loaf from each offering, as a gift to the LORD. It shall belong to the priest who throws the blood of the peace offerings. ¹⁵ And the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offering, it shall be eaten on the day of his offering is a vow offering or a freewill offering, it shall be eaten on the day that he offers his sacrifice, and on the next day what remains of it shall be up with fire. ¹⁸ If any of the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offering is eaten on the third day,

Psalm 51:1-4

Titus 2:4-7

he who offers it shall not be accepted, neither shall it be credited to him. It is tainted, and he who eats of it shall bear his iniquity.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God!

PASTORAL PRAYER

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

GOD FEEDS US FROM HIS WORD

*SERMON TEXT

Matthew 13:24-43

²⁴ He put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵ but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. ²⁶ So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. ²⁷ And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?' ²⁸ He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹ But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. ³⁰ Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, "Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.""

³¹ He put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took and sowed in his field. ³² It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is larger than all the garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

³³ He told them another parable. "The kingdom of heaven is like leaven that a woman took and hid in three measures of flour, till it was all leavened."

³⁴ All these things Jesus said to the crowds in parables; indeed, he said nothing to them without a parable. ³⁵ This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet:

"I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter what has been hidden since the foundation of the world."

3⁶ Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." ³⁷ He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸ The field is the world, and the good seed is the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the end of the age, 4 The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all lawbreakers, 4² and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 43 Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears. let him hear.

The Word of the Lord. Leader: **People:** Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Rev. Dave Lindberg

"Like, What is the Kingdom?"

GOD FEEDS US AT HIS TABLE

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

- CTK welcomes all baptized believers who are communing members of gospel-believing churches to participate in the Supper.
- Gluten-free and nut-free bread is in a small box on the plate.

SONG DURING COMMUNION

*SONG

INSTRUMENTAL

THE GOODNESS OF GOD

2

1 I love you Lord Oh Your mercy never fails me All my days I've been held in your hands From the moment that I wake up Until I lay my head I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus All my life You have been faithful All my life You have been so, so good With every breath that I am able I will sing of the goodness of God

I love your voice You have led me through the fire In darkest night You are close like no other I've known vou as a father I've known you as a friend I have lived in the goodness of God (chorus x2)

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GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*BENEDICTION

Zephaniah 3:17

The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

*DOXOLOGY/DISMISSAL

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. SERMON NOTES Matthew 13:24-43 "Like, What is the Kingdom?"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Group

Youth Group, grades 6 - 12, meets on the first and third Sundays of every month, from 5 to 7 pm at the church office, 313 N. 9th St., Midlothian 76065.

Exploring CTK

All who are interested in knowing more about CTK and/or church membership are invited to join us on Saturday, March 22, from 9 am to 12 pm for our Exploring CTK Class. We will meet at our church office (313 N 9th St., Midlothian 76065) and will finish with lunch together. Please RSVP to Margaret Doria by Thursday, March 20 at noon so that we can plan for your participation. See you there!

Items for Bridges

We are collecting individually wrapped **toothbrushes and toothpaste** for Bridges in February. You may place them in the basket provided between the nursery and Welcome Table. Thank you for helping local families in need.

Come Pray Together

Join your brothers and sisters for Corporate Prayer every first, third and fifth Wednesday. We will meet to pray from 6:30 to 7:30 pm at the church office.

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