

January 1, 2023

*This is the day that the LORD has made,  
let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24*



**Prelude**

*Selection by Musician*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

Ps. 100:1-4

<sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! <sup>2</sup> Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! <sup>3</sup> Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. <sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

No. 167

When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries:  
May Jesus Christ be praised.  
Alike at work and prayer to Jesus I repair:  
May Jesus Christ be praised.

When sleep her balm denies, my silent spirit sighs:  
May Jesus Christ be praised.  
When evil thoughts molest, with this I shield my breast:  
May Jesus Christ be praised.

Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find:  
May Jesus Christ be praised.  
Or fades my earthly bliss? My comfort still is this:  
May Jesus Christ be praised.

In heav'n's eternal bliss the loveliest strain is this:  
May Jesus Christ be praised.  
The pow'rs of darkness fear, when this sweet chant they hear:  
May Jesus Christ be praised.

Let earth's wide circle round in joyful notes resounds:  
May Jesus Christ be praised.  
Let air and sea and sky, from depth to height, reply:  
May Jesus Christ be praised.

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine:  
May Jesus Christ be praised.  
Be this th'eternal song, through all the ages on:  
May Jesus Christ be praised.

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### **\*Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

**Reading of the Law**

Exodus 20:16

(Pew pg. 61/LP pg. 77)

### **Prayer of Confession**

We praise you, O God, our Father. Blessed be your glorious name forever and ever. We acknowledge and confess before you that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; that we have not loved you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We beseech You, O God, to forgive what we have been, to help us amend what we are, and of your mercy to direct what we shall be, so that henceforth we may walk in the way of your commandments, through Jesus Christ our Savior we pray. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardoning Grace**

Ps.100:5

<sup>5</sup> For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

## Be Not Far Off, for Grief Is Near

Psalm 22:11-20

KINGSFOLD (C.M.D.)

Melody collected by Lucy Broadwood

harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

*The Book of Psalms for Singing, 1973*

1. Be not far off, for grief is near, And none to help is found;  
2. My strength is on - ly bro - ken clay; My mouth and tongue are dry,  
3. My bones are plain for me to count; men see me and they stare.

For bulls of Ba - shan in their strength Now cir - cle me a - round,  
For in the ver - y dust of death You there make me to lie.  
My clothes a - mong them they di - vide, And gam - ble for their share.

Their li - on - jaws they o - pen wide, And roar to tear their prey.  
For see how dogs en - cir - cle me! On eve - ry side there stands  
Now hur - ry, O my Strength, to help! Do not be far, O LORD!

My heart is wax, my bones un - knit, My life is poured a - way.  
A broth - er - hood of cru - el - ty; They pierce my feet and hands.  
But snatch my soul from rag - ing dogs, And spare me from the sword.

**Scripture Reading**

Mark 1:1-13 (Pew pg. 836/LP pg. 1043)

**WSC # 49-50**

(pg 873 in Trinity Hymnal)

Q. 49. Which is the second commandment?

**A. The second commandment is, Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.**

Q. 50. What is required in the second commandment?

**A. The second commandment requireth the receiving, observing, and keeping pure and entire, all such religious worship and ordinances as God hath appointed in his word.**

**Prayer of Intercession**

**Offering**

*Selection by Musician*

**\*Doxology**

No. 731

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.

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**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**\*Hymn of Preparation**

*How Deep the Father's Love*



1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how vast be - yond all mea - sure,  
2. Be - hold the man up - on the cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders;  
3. I will not boast in a - ny - thing, no gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom;



that He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His trea - sure.  
a - shamed, I hear my mocking voice call out a - mong the scof - fers.  
but I will boast in Je - sus Christ, His death and re - sur - rec - tion.



How great the pain of sear - ing loss: the Fa - ther turns his face a - way  
It was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished;  
Why should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer,



as wounds, which mar the Cho - sen One, bring ma - ny sons to glo - ry.  
His dy - ing breath has brought me life: I know that it is fin - ished.  
but this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

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1. Worldliness Kills
2. A Worthy Example
3. Walking As Pilgrims

**Questions:**

1. What specifically are we to be imitating about the Apostle Paul?
2. Why is repentance of our sins a non-negotiable in the Christian life? What are the consequences if we fail to realize its importance?
3. What does the world think about repentance? Why does the world have such a low opinion of repentance?
4. How does Christ's imminent return help further our sanctification? How can we think more about this reality?

**The Lord's Supper**

(wine in the wine-colored cups and grape juice in the clear cups)

*Sursum Corda*

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

Music: Selections from the Hymnal

**\*Hymn of Response**     *Amazing Grace!*

No. 460

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

And when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease,  
I shall possess within the veil a life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.

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**\*Benediction**

**\*Gloria Patri**

No. 735

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

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**Postlude**

*Selection by Musician*

**\* Congregation:** Please stand as able.

**Piano**

Emily Thevenin

**Intercessory Prayer**

Yon Lindborg

### Weekly Calendar

<b>SUN 1/1</b>	10:30 AM	No Sunday School <b>Worship Service</b> – LORD’s Supper
	3:00-8:00 PM	<b>New Year Party @</b> Gretzinger Home
<b>WED 1/4</b>	6:00 PM	<b>Family Night</b>
<b>SUN 1/8</b>	9:20 AM	<b>Sunday School Resumes</b> (Children, Adult, & Inquirers)
	10:30 AM	<b>Worship Service</b> – LORD’s Supper

### Serving the Lord

	1/1	1/8
<b>AM Nursery</b>	Kathleen Gretzinger	Angela Collins
<b>Greeters</b>	Lindborg Fam	Phyllis Sederberg
<b>Treats/ Clean Up</b>	at Welcome	Desk
<b>Audio</b>	Ben Armstrong	Grayden Lash
<b>Elder of the Week</b>	Yon Lindborg	Andrew Gretzinger
<b>Deacon of the Week</b>	Ben Armstrong	Jason Lash
<b>Communion Prep</b>	Jim Martin	N/A

### Announcements

- **Lord’s Supper:** Today we will be celebrating the Lord’s Supper. Participation is open to all who are trusting in Christ for salvation, living a life of repentance from sin, and in good standing with a Christian church. Please see page 3 of the bulletin for more information.
- **Sunday School:** No Sunday School on 12/25 & 1/1. Sunday School resumes January 8 at 9:20 AM with classes for all ages. These are important opportunities for us to grow together in our faith and knowledge of God and his ways. All are urged to attend.  
 Adult classes: (1) The History of Christianity in Early America (continuation of earlier class). (2) Foundations of the Christian Faith (for inquirers or those interested in church membership). See fliers on the Welcome desk.
- **New Year’s Open House:** Today at the Gretzinger’s house from 3:00-8:00 PM. All are welcome!
- **Family Night:** Family night coming up, Jan 4th, join us for food, fellowship, and prayer! Sign-up at the welcome desk.
- **Email:** Email is the best way to keep in contact about upcoming events and possible winter weather. Please talk to Cassy or email [info@goodshepherdpcanet.net](mailto:info@goodshepherdpcanet.net) to be included.