

April 23, 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

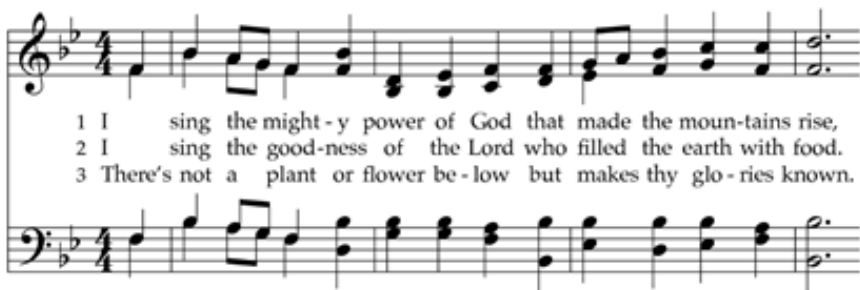
***Call to Worship**

Ps. 92:1-4

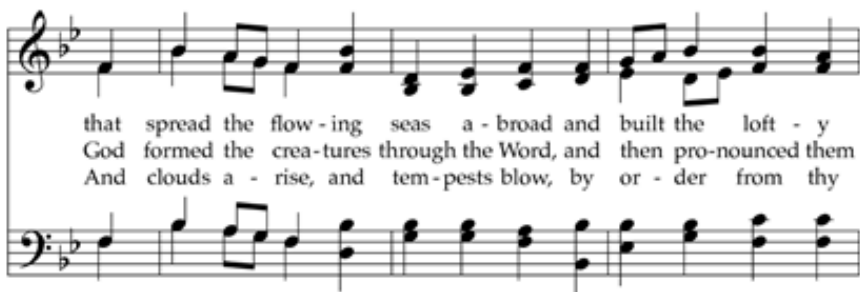
¹It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; ² to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, ³ to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre. ⁴ For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy

CREATION AND PROVIDENCE

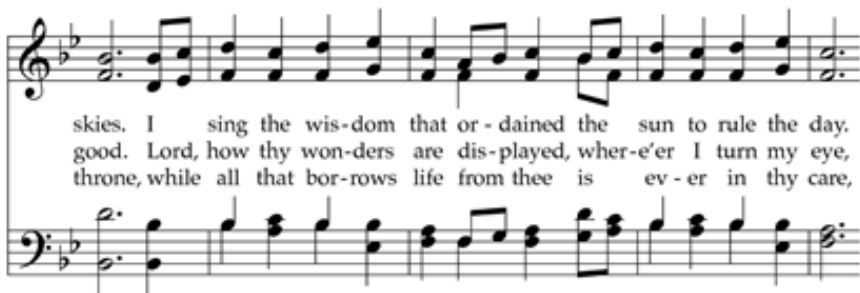
32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God



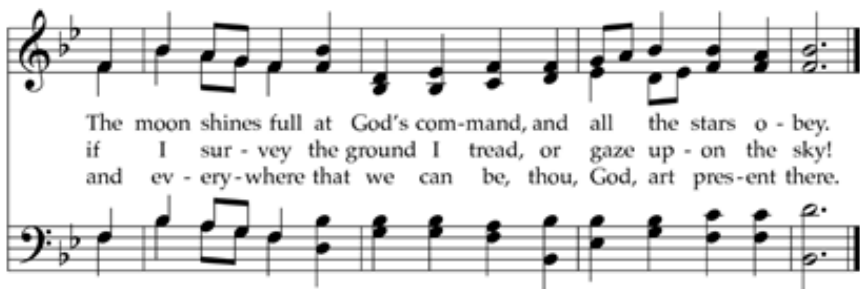
1 I sing the might - y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,
2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.
3 There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes thy glo - ries known.



that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y
God formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them
And clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy



skies. I sing the wis-dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day.
good. Lord, how thy won-ders are dis-played, wher-e'er I turn my eye,
throne, while all that bor-rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,



The moon shines full at God's com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.
if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
and ev - ery-where that we can be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

With minimal revision this text brings together six of the eight four-line stanzas in an 18th-century hymn

***Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

Reading of the Law

Nehemiah 9:1-6

(Pew pg. 404/LP pg. 504)

Prayer of Confession

Lord God, eternal and almighty Father: We acknowledge before your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil, unable of our own power to do good. Because of our sin, we endlessly violate your holy commandments. But, O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and turn away from all our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true sorrow asking that your grace will relieve our distress. Have compassion on us, most gracious God, Father of mercies, for the sake of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. And in removing our guilt, also grant us daily increase of the grace of your Holy Spirit, and produce in us the fruits of holiness and of righteousness pleasing in your sight: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Ps. 92:10-11

¹⁰ But you have exalted my horn like that of the wild ox; you have poured over me fresh oil. ¹¹ My eyes have seen the downfall of my enemies; my ears have heard the doom of my evil assailants.

***Hymn of Thanksgiving**

Psalm 92

Tune: *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

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It's Good to Thank the LORD

Give thanks in all circumstances,
for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. —1 Thessalonians 5:18

92

Psalm 92

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four systems, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are as follows:

1. ¹It's good to thank the LORD, To praise Your name, Most
2. ⁴Your deeds, LORD, made me glad; I'll sing of what You've
3. ⁷All sin - ners grow like grass, The wick - ed mul - ti -
High; ²To tell Your love at dawn, Your faith - ful -
done. How great Your works, O LORD, ⁵How deep Your
ply; And yet they'll be de - stroyed. ⁸But, LORD, You
ness by night ³With ten - stringed lyre, Re -
thoughts each one. ⁶A sense - less man De -
stay on high. ⁹Your foes, LORD, fall; Your
sound - ing mu - sic played up - on the harp and lyre.
void of knowl - edge, this truth will not un - der - stand:
foes will per - ish, e - vil do - ers scat - tered all.

4. ¹⁰You've poured oil on my head,
Like oxen I'm made strong.
¹¹I've seen and heard the fate
Of those who've done me wrong.
¹²Like thriving palm
The righteous grows,
like cedars tall in Lebanon.

5. ¹³Those planted by the LORD
Will in God's courts be seen;
¹⁴When old they'll still bear fruit
And flourish fresh and green,
¹⁵And this proclaim—
How upright is the LORD,
my Rock, no wrong in Him!

Scripture Reading

Mark 6:45-56

(Pew pg. 842/LP pg. 1051)

WSC # 87

(pg 875 in Trinity Hymnal)

Q. 87. What is repentance unto life?

A. Repentance unto life is a saving grace, whereby a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin, and apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, doth, with grief and hatred of his sin, turn from it unto God, with full purpose of, and endeavor after, new obedience.

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.

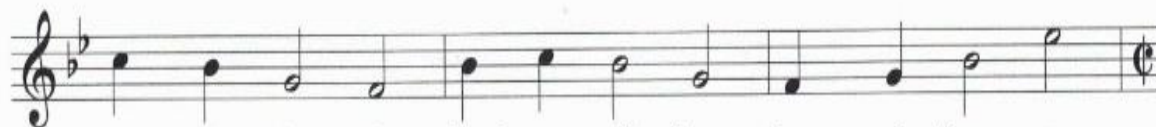
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*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn of Preparation *Heaven's Gift*



1. When far from God and lost in sin I took God's book and
2. That gift Christ won at dread-ful cost: pro - pi - ti - a - tion
3. Now in Christ's right - eous - ness a - lone I stand be - fore God's
4. Christ paid the price to set me free: His blood poured out on
5. All mer - it, boast - ing set a - side, by faith a - lone I'm



looked with - in, I found a gift from heav - en's throne, a
for the lost. My sub - sti - tute, con - demned He died, and
awe - some throne, and grasp what on - ly God could do: be
Cal - vary's tree. Now noth - ing as my own I'll call, for
jus - ti - fied. Be - fore the throne I take my place and



right - eous - ness from God made known.
turned God's wrath from me a - side.
just and jus - ti - fi - er too.
all is Christ's and Christ my all.
rest in God's a - maz - ing grace.

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1. Truth Test (4:1-3)
 - a. Jesus is Messiah
 - b. Jesus came in the flesh
2. Sure Victory (4:4-5)
3. Direction (4:6)
 - a. Corporate endeavor
 - b. Christology and the Church
 - c. Spirit and Word

Questions:

1. What does the title “Christ” mean and why is it absolutely necessary for your salvation?
2. Why does John use the term “little children” so much in this letter? What are its implications?
3. How does God’s Fatherly care give us assurance of salvation?
4. What does it mean that “discernment is a corporate endeavor”? How do we see this in today’s text?

***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

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

Intercessory Prayer
Piano

Bruce Hrivnak
Cathy Reed

Weekly Calendar

SUN 4/23	9:20 AM	Sunday School (Children, Adult, & Inquirers)
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
WED 4/26	6:00 PM	Congregational Meeting (Members of all ages are strongly encouraged to attend. Non-members are welcome to come as well, but will not be able to vote.)
THUR 4/27	11:00 AM	Viking Chili Bowl (All Welcome)
	6:30 PM	Men's Study (chapter 7)
SUN 4/30	9:20 AM	Sunday School (Children, Adult, & Inquirers)
	10:30 AM	Worship Service

Serving the Lord

	4/23	4/30	5/7	5/14
AM Nursery	Alice Lindborg	Megan Jones	Megan Jones	Lucy Hrivnak
Greeters	Phyllis Sederberg	Lash Fam	Lindborg Fam	Dar Stam
Treats/ Clean Up	Sign up	at the	Welcome	Desk
Audio	Grayden Lash	Ben Armstrong	Joel Tummond	Josh Alderson
Elder of the Week	Bruce Hrivnak	Jim Martin	Chris Erickson	Yon Lindborg
Deacon of the Week	Craig Curtis	Ben Armstrong	Craig Curtis	Ben Armstrong
Communion Prep	N/A	N/A	Jim Martin	N/A

Announcements

- **Upcoming Congregational Meeting:** This Wednesday is the meeting. There is a packet of reports on the welcome desk if you want to look over it in advance. If you need a ride for the meeting please email or call the church, we don't want anyone to miss out. Members of all ages are strongly encouraged to attend. Non-members are welcome to come as well, but will not be able to vote.
- **Fresh Flowers:** Spring has sprung. Free Stella Dora Daylilies in bags by main entrance to take home with you!
- **Viking Chili Luncheon:** This week, all are welcome to join at the Viking Chili Bowl Luncheon at 11am.
- **Sign Up for Family Night:** Sign up at the welcome desk for Family night 5/3. It is called family night, not to exclude, but to indicate gathering with church family to eat, fellowship, and prioritize prayer. All are welcome, join us @6pm!
- **Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary Concert:** Divine Hope invites friends of the seminary to a concert entitled, "Mozart and Friends: Music for Strings and Keyboard." The Lakeside Artist's Guild will perform along with Marian Van Till-Cassidy. This family-friendly concert is scheduled for Friday, May 19th at 7:00 p.m. at Community United Reformed Church in Schererville, Indiana. A free-will offering will be taken for the seminary. Dessert will be served afterwards.