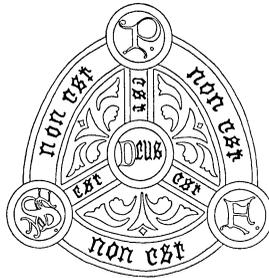


# LORD'S DAY

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*Upon entering the sanctuary, please be sensitive  
to the congregation's preparation for worship, and please make sure  
all electronic devices are turned off or set to silent mode.*

## **-DRAWING NEAR TO GOD-**

### **Welcome and Silent Prayer**

O God, teach me to seek you, and reveal yourself to me when I do, for I cannot seek you unless you first teach me, nor find you unless you first reveal yourself to me. Let me seek you in longing, and long for you in seeking. Let me find you in love, and love you in finding.

— Ambrose of Milan, AD 339-397

### **\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 96.1-4

### **\*Prayer of Adoration**

### **\*Song of Praise to God**

*Hymn No. 53*

*PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY*

## **-HAVING OUR HEARTS CLEANSED-**

### **Confession of Sin**

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess that we are prone to evil and slothful in good. You alone know how often we have offended you: in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. But you, O Lord, have mercy on those who are ashamed of and sorry for their iniquities. Teach us to hate our offenses; cleanse us from our secret faults; forgive us our sins for the sake of your dear Son. And O most loving Father, help us, we pray, to live in your light and walk in your ways, in keeping with the commandments of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Silently add your own confession of sin.*

**\*Song of Praise to Christ**

*Hymn No. 167*

*WHEN MORNING GILDS THE SKIES*

**Confession of Faith**

For what do we pray in the third petition?

**In the third petition, which is, “Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven,”<sup>1</sup> we pray that God, by his grace, would make us able and willing to know, obey, and submit to his will in all things,<sup>2</sup> as the angels do in heaven.<sup>3</sup>**

—The Westminster Shorter Catechism, No. 103

**Prayer for the Church and the World**

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<sup>1</sup> “Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven” (Mt 6.10, NAS).

<sup>2</sup> Then the king said to Zadok, “Carry the ark of God back into the city. If I find favor in the eyes of the LORD, he will bring me back and let me see both it and his dwelling place” (2 Sam 15.25). And he said, “Naked I came from my mother’s womb, and naked shall I return. The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD” (Job 1.21). “Incline my heart to your testimonies, and not to selfish gain” (Ps 119.36)! And going a little farther he fell on his face and prayed, saying, “My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will” (Mt 26.39). See also Psalm 67.1-7.

<sup>3</sup> “Bless the LORD, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word! Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will” (Ps 103.20-21)!

## -ATTENDING TO THE WORD-

### Sermon

“The Judge of All Mankind”  
Romans 2.1-16  
Rev. Ron Gonzales

### \*Song of Response

*Hymn No. 181*

*WE COME, O CHRIST, TO YOU*

## Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings

*\*DOXOLOGY*

*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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## -OBSERVING THE SACRAMENTS-

### The Lord's Supper

We celebrate the Lord's Supper by coming forward (generally from the back of the sanctuary to the front) and partaking of the bread and the cup. Wine is served in the inner ring of each tray, grape juice in the outer rings. We warmly invite to the Table all baptized Christians, who are living under the authority of Christ and his body, the Church. By eating the bread and drinking of the cup, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Christ alone for salvation. If this does not describe you, we are glad you are here and commend the following prayer for your use during this time.

*A Prayer for those Searching for the Truth*

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life you promise. Amen.

# \*Song of Thanksgiving

## Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed

words: Isaac Watts; Bob Kauflin  
music Bob Kauflin; arr. Ruth Coleman  
CCLI# 2415226

1. A - las, and did my Sav - ior bleed, and did my Sov - reign die? Would  
2. Well might the sun in dark - ness hide, and shut His glo - ries in, When

He de - vote that sa - cred head for such a worm as I? Was it for sins that  
Christ, the might - y Mak - er, died for man, the crea - ture's sin. Thus might I hide my

I had done He groaned up - on the tree? A - maz - ing pit - y, grace un - known, and  
blush - ing face, while His dear cross ap - pears, Dis - solve my heart in thank - ful - ness, and

love be - yond de - gree! My God, why would You shed Your blood, so pure and un - de -  
melt my eyes to tears.

filed, To make a sin - ful one like me Your cho - sen, pre - cious child?

## -GOING FORTH TO SERVE-

**Benediction**

Numbers 6.24-26

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### **Gatherings**

*Home Fellowship Group*, led by Pastor Ron, meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at Chad and Heidi Leinweber's, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. They are studying Romans and all are welcome.

*The Men's Group* meets Fridays, from 6:00 to 7:00 AM, in the Coffee Hour room. They are going through a series, led by Kirk Alden, entitled "Leading by the Book," in which fifty-two leadership principles related to personal development, relationships, and life skills are studied from a biblical perspective. All men and older sons are invited.

*A Men's Leadership Bible Study*, led by Kirk Alden, meets at Tate's Umapine Mercantile on Thursdays, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. All men are invited. For more information, talk to Kirk.

*Prayer Meeting*: We meet the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, at 5:15 PM in the sanctuary, to pray for one another, for the kingdom, and the world. Please join us.

*Women's Studies*: This fall women are meeting in pairs or small groups to study 1 and 2 Timothy. Study guides are available on the literature table. If you need help finding a partner or a group, please let us know.

## **Sermon Notes: "The Judge of All Mankind" (Romans 2.1-16)**

## **Prayer Concerns**

*Saint Andrews Presbyterian Church:* Rev. Craig Harris is planting a church in Yakima. Pray for God's blessing as he gives himself to this work, and that the Lord leads him to many who are hungry to hear and respond to the gospel.

*The Giver of Strength & Peace:* David prayed, "The LORD gives strength to his people; the LORD blesses his people with peace" (Ps 29.11). In addition to strength and healing, pray that *Paul Carmichael, Sandy Cupolillo, Mike Givens, Nancy Hoeft, Judie Jud, Tom Manning, and Rick & Vickie Myers* are filled with the LORD'S strength and peace in the week ahead.

*Chris & Mary Granberry (White Swan):* Pray for the Granberrys and the Sacred Road team as they minister to the Yakama people, that God uses them to convey the love of Christ to many, and that through their witness a great number on the reservation come to know the Savior and grow in him.

*The Persecuted Church:* There are 350,000 Christians out of 33 million people in *Uzbekistan*, where all unsanctioned religious expression is outlawed. This means any non-Orthodox Christian group is illegal, and since the culture is largely Muslim, those who do convert to Christianity face pressure and threat of violence from their families and communities. Pray for the safety of such converts. Pray for those who are isolated from other believers because of fear of being found out; pray that they will find fellowship and peace. And pray for the growth and health of the church in Uzbekistan.

## **Announcements**

*Reformation Sunday Evening Service:* We have been invited by Grace URC, in Kennewick, to their Reformation service, next Sunday, at 5:00 PM.

*Session Meeting:* The elders are meeting this Thursday, at 5:30 PM. Pray for them as they do, and please let them know how they can pray for you.

*Visitors:* Welcome to Covenant! We are glad you are here and would love to have you join us, following the service, for some refreshments and fellowship.

### **Explanation of the Cover Symbol**

The Shield of the Holy Trinity is frequently found in stained glass windows of medieval churches. This emblem expresses the Christian doctrine of the triunity of Almighty God, a truth taught in Scripture and affirmed by the Council of Constantinople in AD 381.