THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

Let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe (Hebrews 12:28).

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Derick Land

SILENCE FOR PREPARATION

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 96:1-4

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.

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.

INVOCATION *

HYMN # 144 *

Glorious Is Thy Name

THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Father, by the power of your Holy Spirit, open our eyes, that we may see wonderful things in your law; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Chris Logan

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 2 (hymnal p. 21) New Testament Reading: Matthew 21:23-27 (pew Bible p. 982)

> This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jim Bartenfield

Psalm 32:5–7

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him. You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

An Orthodox Catechism Q. & A. 1 & 2 Question 1: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

Answer: That I am not my own, but belong -- body and soul, in life and in death to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Question 2: What must you know to live and die in the joy of this comfort?

Answer: Three things: first, how great my sin and misery are; second, how I am set free from all my sins and misery; third, how I am to thank God for such deliverance.

HYMN # 306

There Is a Fountain

THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Rod Walls

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS TO GOD'S HONOR

HYMN # 50 *

Adoration (to the tune of Great Is Thy Faithfulness)

OFFERTORY PRAYER *

Yvonne Otts

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

SERMON

Rod Walls

In Christ Alone

Introducing the Gospel Romans 1:1-7 (pew Bible p. 1116)

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

HYMN # 177 *

* Congregation please stand.