

WORSHIPING ON THE LORD'S DAY

December 10, 2023

Worship, as God intended, is a supernatural event. As we enter into this service of worship, we cross the threshold of the secular to the sacred, from the common to the uncommon, from the profane to the holy. Prepare yourself therefore for this most holy convocation!

Prelude

Worship Theme

Christ is a Messenger

Malachi 3:1-2: "Behold, I am going to send My messenger, and he will clear the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple; and the messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight, behold, He is coming," says the Lord of hosts. 'But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap.'"

God Calls us to Worship Before the Cross Ps. 67:3-5

+We Adore Him

Hymn #25, "O Light That Knew No Dawn"

We Confess Our Sin

O Father, we sadly admit that we have not kept Your Word. We have not set our hearts on things above, where Christ is; and as a result, we have allowed our earthly nature to live. We have indulged ourselves in evil desires, anger, slander, and other such sin. We have failed to use Your resources to put on compassion, humility, and love. We have not given to You the glory and honor that is Your due. Rather, we have been vain, self-seeking, self-centered in our thoughts, desires, passions, and emotions.

O Lord forgive us, Your sinful and selfish people! Transform us by Your grace more into Your image. Cause Your Word and Spirit to reign victoriously over our lusts. Wean us from our love-affair with this world, and give us undistracted devotion to You. All to the ongoing glory of Jesus Christ. Amen.

We Thank Him For His Forgiveness

Hymn #197, "Comfort, Comfort Ye"

Isaiah 40:1-4

God Calls us to Worship Thru Dedication Mt. 6:33-34

We Give Him Our Offering & Concerns

We Give Him Ourselves

Hymn #648, "My Jesus, I Love Thee"

God Calls us to Worship Thru Fellowship

Jn. 6:48-51

We Read His Word

Sermon

*We Partake Of The Lord's Supper

Insert, "Hark, the Glad Sound"

God Blesses us in the Benediction

Welcome and Announcements

Postlude

(Containers have been placed at the front for communion cups and small trash)

+You are invited to raise your hands during the prayer of adoration.

*Visitors, please see note below on the Lord's Supper.