

WORSHIPING ON THE LORD'S DAY

April 14, 2024

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

God is Sovereign

Proverbs 16:1, 4, 9, 33: "1The plans of the heart belong to man, but the answer of the tongue is from the Lord... 4 The Lord has made everything for its own purpose, even the wicked for the day of evil... 9 The mind of man plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps.... 33 The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from the Lord."

God Calls us to Worship Before the Cross Ps. 72:8-9a

+We Adore Him

Insert, "Our Great God"

We Confess Our Sin

O Lord, we are a shell full of dust. In ourselves, we are no rare object of value. We have nothing and are nothing. When You would guide us, we control ourselves. When You would be sovereign, we rule ourselves. When you would take care of us, we suffice ourselves. When we should submit to Your providence, we follow our will. When we should study, love, honor, and trust You, we serve ourselves. We fault and correct Your laws to suit ourselves. Instead of You, we look to man's approval.

Lord, it is our chief goal to have an undistracted heart, devoted completely to You. Convince us that we cannot be our own god or restore ourselves to You. Help us to see that grace does this through Your loving discipline, for when our god is attention, You cast us lower, when riches are our idol, You wing them away, when pleasure is our all, You turn it into bitterness.

Take away our roving eyes, curious ears, greedy appetites, lustful hearts; show us that none of these things can heal a wounded conscience, or support a tottering frame, or uphold a departing spirit. Oh Lord, take us to the cross and leave us there. Amen.

We Thank Him For His Forgiveness
Insert, "Wholehearted Thanksgiving"

Psalm 9

God Calls us to Worship Thru Dedication

Ps. 72:10-12

We Give Him Our Offering & Concerns

We Give Him Ourselves

Insert, "It Is Well With My Soul"

God Calls us to Worship Thru Fellowship

Ps. 72:16

We Read His Word

Sermon

*We Partake Of The Lord's Supper

Insert, "Jesus! What A Friend For Sinners!"

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.