

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Presentation of Jesus at the Temple  
Lord's Day February 2nd, 2020

† *Those who are able please rise.*  
∫ *Those who are able please kneel.*

PRELUDE

## CALL TO WORSHIP



The Lord is in his ho - ly tem - ple, the Lord is in his ho - ly  
tem - ple; let all the earth keep si - lence, let all the earth keep  
si - lence be - fore him, keep si - lence, keep si - lence be - fore him.

(from Hab. 2:20)

## CONFESSION OF SIN

∫ SILENT CONFESSION

∫ CORPORATE CONFESSION

Minister: O LORD, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love Him and keep His commandments, we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from Your commandments and rules.

**Congregation:** *O LORD, we have sinned against You.*

Minister: We have not listened to Your servants the prophets, who spoke in Your name to our rulers, our leaders, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land. To You, O LORD, belongs righteousness, but to us open shame, as it is today, to all the Israel of God, those who are near and those who are far away, in all the

lands to which You have driven them, because of the treachery that we have committed against You. To us, O LORD, belongs open shame, to our rulers, to our leaders, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against You.

**Congregation:** *O LORD, we have sinned against You.*

Minister: To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against Him and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God by walking in His laws, which He set before us by His servants the prophets. All the Israel of God has transgressed Your law and turned aside, refusing to obey Your voice. And the curse and oath that are written in the Law of Moses the servant of God have been poured out upon us, because we have sinned against Him. He has confirmed His words, which He spoke against us and against our rulers who ruled us, by bringing upon us great calamity. For under the whole heaven there has not been done anything like what has been done against His people. As it is written in the Law of Moses, all this calamity has come upon us; yet we have not entreated the favor of the LORD our God, turning from our iniquities and gaining insight by Your truth. Therefore the LORD has kept ready calamity and has brought it upon us, for the LORD our God is righteous in all the works that He has done, and we have not obeyed His voice.

**Congregation:** *O LORD, we have sinned against You.*

Minister: And now, O LORD our God, who brought Your people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and have made a name for Yourself, as it is this day, we have sinned, we have done wickedly. O LORD, according to all Your righteous acts, let Your anger and Your wrath turn away from Your people, who are called by Your name, because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Your people have become a byword among all the nations.

**All:** *Now therefore, O our God, listen to the prayer of Your servants and to our pleas for mercy, and for Your own sake, O LORD, make your face to shine upon Your sanctuaries. O our God, incline Your ear and hear. Open Your eyes and see our desolation. For we do not present our pleas before You because of our righteousness, but because of the righteousness of Your Son, Jesus Christ, mercy made flesh for Your people. O LORD, hear; O LORD, forgive. O LORD, pay attention and act. Delay not, for Your own sake and for the sake of Your Son and Spirit, O our God, and for Your people who are called by Your name. Amen.*

(from Dan. 9)

∫ ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Minister: Brothers and sisters, hear the LORD's words of pardon to you:  
For Yahweh your God is a merciful God. He will not leave you or destroy you or forget the covenant with your fathers that He swore to them. (Deuteronomy 4:31)

**ALL:** *Thanks be to the LORD!*

## MINISTRY OF THE WORD

†PSALM OF ASCENDING

#51C: 1-2, 5-7

†RESPONSIVE READING

PSALM 20

Leader: May Yahweh answer you in the day of trouble!

**Congregation:** *May the name of the God of Jacob protect you!*

Leader: May He send you help from the sanctuary and give you support from Zion!

**Congregation:** *May He remember all your offerings and regard with favor your burnt sacrifices!*

Leader: May He grant you your heart's desire and fulfill all your plans!

**Congregation:** *May we shout for joy over your salvation, and in the name of our God set up our banners!*

Leader: May Yahweh fulfill all your petitions!

**ALL:** *Now I know that Yahweh saves His anointed; He will answer him from His holy heaven with the saving might of His right hand. Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of Yahweh our God. They collapse and fall, but we rise and stand upright. O Yahweh, save the king! May He answer us when we call!*

Leader: This is the Word of the LORD!

**Congregation:** *Thanks be to God!*

†HYMN

#415

WE GATHER TOGETHER

† NICENE CREED

(See Insert)

∫ PASTORAL PRAYER

∫ THE LORD'S PRAYER

† READING OF THE COVENANT

Minister: Hear now the LORD's holy, infallible, and inerrant Word.

First Reading: **1 Kings 8:22-53**

Second Reading: **Proverbs 3:5-8**

Third Reading: **Mark 9:14-29**

Minister: This is the Word of the LORD!

Congregation: *The LORD our God we will serve, and His voice we will obey!*

†PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PREACHING OF THE COVENANT

*THE MESSIAH TEACHES FAILURES*  
MARK 9:14-29

### MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

†PSALM OF PRAISE

#115A: 1-3

†INVITATION TO THE COVENANT MEAL

Minister: The LORD be with you!

Congregation: *And also with you!*

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

Congregation: *We lift them up to the LORD!*

Minister: Let us give thanks to the LORD!

Congregation: *It is good and right so to do!*

Minister: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God; You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which You have prepared for those who love You. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing,

†SANCTUS

(See Insert)

∫ TERMS OF PEACE

Minister: Therefore we proclaim the faith,

*ALL: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again!*

†PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

†THE COVENANT MEAL

†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Gloria Patri*

### RESPONDING IN THANKS

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

†DOXOLOGY

†CONSECRATION OF THE OFFERINGS

† BENEDICTION

†HYMN OF DESCENDING

#243: 1, 4, 6

HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

†THE LORD'S COMMISSION

MATTHEW 28:19-20

Congregation: *Thanks be to God!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOSPITALITY SIGN-UPS

EVENSONG THIS EVENING

VISITATION: SATURDAY!

POSTLUDE



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