

Sunday, February 28, 2021 – Afternoon Service

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Welcome and Pre-Service Singing: Psalter 431:1

Verse 1

Unto God, our King,
Joy and strength of Israel,
Lofty anthems sing;
Glorious are His ways,
To His Name give praise
With the harp and timbrel.

1. Votum and Salutation

2. Singing: Psalter 228

Verse 1

Lord God of Hosts, in mercy
My supplication hear;
Almighty and all faithful,
Our fathers' God, give ear;
Our shield and great defender,
No longer hide Thy face,
But look upon Thy servant,
Anointed by Thy grace.

Verse 2

In Thy blest courts to worship,
My God, a single day
Is better than a thousand
While far from Thee I stray;
Tho' in a lowly station,
The service of my Lord
I choose above all pleasures
That sinful ways afford.

Verse 3

A sun and shield forever
Is God, the Lord Most High;
To those who walk uprightly
No good will He deny;
His saints, His grace receiving,
Shall soon His glory see;
O Lord of Hosts, most blessed
Are they that trust in Thee.

3. Scripture Reading: Psalm 46 and Zechariah 1:1-6

Text: Zechariah 1:3 and Psalm 46:7&11

4. Confession of Faith: The Apostolic Creed

I. I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
II. And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord;
III. Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary;
IV. Suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, died, and buried; *He descended into hell;
V. The third day He rose again from the dead;
VI. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
VII. From there He shall come to judge the living and the dead;
VIII. I believe in the Holy Spirit;
IX. **I believe [a] holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
X. The forgiveness of sins;
XI. The resurrection of the body;
XII. And life everlasting. Amen.
* This phrase, “He descended into hell” is a summary climactic statement of all Jesus’ suffering for sin in His state of humiliation as Saviour of sinners (see question and answer 44 of the Heidelberg Catechism).
** The word, “catholic” means here “universal” or “worldwide” and has no reference as such to the Roman Catholic church.

5. Singing: Psalter 127:1,5,8

Verse 1
God will our strength and refuge prove,
In all distress a present aid,
And, though the trembling earth remove,
We will not fear nor be dismayed.

Verse 5
The kings and nations raged in pride;
He spake, the earth did melt away;
The Lord of Hosts is on our side,
Our father' God, our strength and stay.

Verse 8
Be still, ye nations, bow in fear,
And know that I alone am God;
To us the Lord of Hosts is near,
Our fathers' God is our abode.

6. Congregational Prayer

7. Offering (for now outside the service)

8. Prayer

9. Singing: Psalter 58

Verse 1
Ye gates, lift your heads, the glad summons obey,
Ye doors everlasting, wide open the way;
The King of all glory high honors await,
The King of all glory shall enter in state.

Verse 2

What King of all glory is this that ye sing?
The Lord, strong and mighty, the conquering King.
Ye gates, lift your heads and His summons obey,
Ye doors everlasting, wide open the way.

Verse 3

The King of all glory high honors await,
The King of all glory shall enter in state.
What King of all glory is this that ye sing?
Jehovah of Hosts, He of glory is King.

10. Sermon:

Theme: God's Gospel call is from the LORD of hosts!

11. Prayer

12. Singing: Psalter 128

Verse 1

God is our refuge and our strength,
A helper ever near us;
We will not fear tho' earth be moved,
For God is nigh to cheer us.
Although the mountains quake
And earth's foundations shake,
Tho' angry billows roar
And break against the shore,
Our mighty God will hear us.

Verse 2

God's city is forever blest
With living waters welling;
Since God is there she stands unmoved
'Mid tumults round her swelling;
God speaks and all is peace.
From war the nations cease;
The Lord of Hosts is nigh,
Our fathers' God Most High
Is our eternal dwelling.

Verse 3

Behold what God has done on earth;
His wrath brings desolation,
His grace, commanding wars to cease,
Brings peace to ev'ry nation;
Be still, for He is Lord,
By all the earth adored;
The Lord of Hosts is nigh,
Our fathers' God Most High
Is our strong habitation.

13. Benediction

14. Doxology: Psalter 59:5,7 (to the tune of 352)

Verse 5

Who is this glorious King that comes
To claim His sov'reign right?
It is the Lord omnipotent,
All conqu'ring in His might.

Verse 7

Who is this glorious King that comes
To claim His rightful throne?
The Lord of Hosts, He is the King
Of glory, God alone.