The Lord's Service February 24, 2019

*Standing together is our ordinary practice, but you are welcome to remain seated.

Prelude

*Song of Praise and Greeting

Creation Sings

Creation sings the Father's song; He calls the sun to wake the dawn and run the course of day Till evening falls in crimson rays.

His fingerprints in flakes of snow, His breath upon this spinning globe, He charts the eagle's flight; commands the newborn baby's cry.

Chorus: Hallelujah! Let all creation stand and sing, "Hallelujah!" Fill the earth with songs of worship; Tell the wonders of creation's King.

Creation gazed upon His face; The ageless One in time's embrace Unveiled the Father's plan of reconciling God and man.

A second Adam walked the earth, Whose blameless life would break the curse, Whose death would set us free to live with Him eternally. (Chorus)

Creation longs for His return, When Christ shall reign upon the earth; The bitter wars that rage are birth pains of a coming age.

When He renews the land and sky, All heav'n will sing and earth reply With one resplendent theme: the glories of our God and King! (Chorus) (2009 Thankyou Music)

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us

In silent meditation, let us prepare to meet the just God in worship.

*Call to Worship

LEADER: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul! **PEOPLE:** I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

*Hymn

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

*Invocation

Elder Ernie Brown

God Cleanses Us

Reading of the Law of God

LEADER: Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation

PEOPLE: When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.

Whether seated or kneeling, let us approach the Lord together with a posture of reverence.

Corporate Confession of Sin (in unison)

Merciful God, we humble ourselves in Your presence, confessing our sinfulness in Your sight. We have broken Your holy law. We have not sought first Your kingdom and righteousness. We have been anxious and troubled about many things, and have neglected the things that belong to our peace. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves, or done to others as we would have them do unto us.

Psalm 146.1-2

Psalm 146.3-4

No. 302

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Who has given us Your Son, Jesus Christ, to save Your people from their sins; forgive us, we pray, cleanse us from all unrighteousness, and renew a right spirit within us; through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

LEADER: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

*Hymn

No. 521

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

God Consecrates Us

Old Testament Reading Genesis 14.17-24 (p. 10)

Elder Nick Lazor

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Psalm 146.5-8

Choral Worship

Song of Exaltation

Hath the rain a father? Who hath begotten the drops of dew? Canst thou send lightnings to cause it to rain on the earth, To satisfy the waste ground? Have we not all one father? Hath not one God created us? Who hath gathered the wind in His fists? Who can number the clouds in wisdom? He that formeth the mountains and createth the wind, The Lord, the God of hosts is His name!

Let the heavens be glad, and the earth rejoice, And let men say among the nations: thy God reigneth! Let the sea roar and the fullness thereof; Let the fields rejoice, and all that is therein; And let men say among the nations: thy God reigneth! Blessed be the Lord God of Israel for ever and ever!

> Sing unto the Lord, all the earth. Give unto the Lord the glory due His name,

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, And let men say among the nations: thy God reigneth! Let the sea roar and the fullness thereof; Let the fields rejoice, and all that is therein And let men say among the nations: thy God reigneth! Blessed be the Lord God of Israel for ever and ever! Amen! (1967 G. Schirmer, Inc.)

*Song of Thanks

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. (2x)

> And now let the weak say, "I am strong," Let the poor say, "I am rich," Because of what the Lord has done for us. (2x) Give thanks. (1978 Henry Smith Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

*Prayer of the Church

*Hymn

How Firm a Foundation

Pastor Mullinax

No. 94

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Scripture Lesson

Pastor Jones

Romans 4.13-25(p. 941)

LIFE AND PROMISE

*Hymn

Sermon

No. 676

Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment

*Confession of Faith (in unison) Westminster Confession of Faith, 5.1

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe about God?

God - the great Creator of all things - upholds, directs, disposes, and governs all things, from the greatest even to the least. He exercises this most wise and holy providence according to His infallible foreknowledge and the free and unchangeable counsel of His own will, to the praise of the glory of His wisdom, power, justice, goodness, and mercy.

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen, amen.

God Commissions Us

*Benediction

Pastor Jones

Postlude

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