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## **Worship on the Lord's Day May 31, 2020**

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### **Welcome and Announcements**

#### **Scripture Meditation to Prepare Hearts for Worship**

Then beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, He explained to them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures. Luke 24:24

#### **Call to Worship** [based on Psalm 89]

I will sing of the lovingkindness of the LORD forever. To all generations I will make known Your faithfulness with my mouth: "I have sworn to David My servant, I will establish your seed forever and build up your throne to all generations." I will crush his adversaries before him, and strike those who hate him. His throne shall endure as the sun before Me. The heavens shall praise Your wonders, O LORD—Your faithfulness also in the assembly of the holy ones. Blessed be the LORD forever!

\* **Hymn of Invocation:** To God Be the Glory      Trinity Hymnal # 55

### **Prayer of Invocation**

**Scripture Reading:** Mark 15:1-15

#### **Corporate Confession of Sin**      {prayed together}

Heavenly Father, forgive our sins, which are great! We have neither gladly believed Your Word, nor faithfully kept Your holy commandments. We confess that nothing but the death of Your Son could atone for our sins, so in unspeakable love You sent Him to be crucified in our place. Help us love Your more! Hear now our private confessions of sin.

#### **Private Confession of Sin**

**Assurance of Pardon:** Jesus is the one whom God exalted to His right hand as a Prince and a Savior, to grant repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins. Acts 5:31

**\* Hymns of Praise**

- Jerusalem the Golden                      Trinity Hymnal # 539 (vs. 1,2,4)
- Be Unto Your Name

**Confession of Faith**

*Belgic Confession*, Article 14 (part 3)

We believe that God created man good, but he willingly subjected himself to sin, corrupting his whole nature. Therefore we reject everything taught to the contrary concerning the free will of man, since man is but a slave to sin<sup>1</sup> and has nothing of himself unless it is given him from heaven.<sup>2</sup> For Christ says, *No one can come to Me, unless the Father who sent Me draws him?*<sup>3</sup> Who will glory in his own will, who understands that *the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God?*<sup>4</sup> Who can speak of his knowledge, since *the natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God?*<sup>5</sup> And therefore what the apostle says ought justly to be held sure and firm, that *God works in us both to will and to work for His good pleasure.*<sup>6</sup> For there is no will nor understanding conforming to the divine will but what Christ has produced in man, which He teaches us when He says, *Without Me you can do nothing.*<sup>7</sup>

<sup>1</sup> *Isa. 26:12; Ps. 94:11; John 8:34; Rom. 6:17; 7:5, 17*

<sup>2</sup> *John 3:27; Isa. 26:12*

<sup>3</sup> *John 3:27; 6:44, 65*

<sup>4</sup> *Rom. 8:7*

<sup>5</sup> *1 Cor. 2:14; Ps. 94:11*

<sup>6</sup> *Phil. 2:13*

<sup>7</sup> *John 15:5*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Tithes** (giving can be done online through our website—bethelchurchpca.org/give)

**Sermon:**

**Text:** Acts 6:8-15

**Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

**\* Hymn of Response** – O Word of God Incarnate    Trinity Hymnal # 140

**Benediction**

**Doxology** – TH # 731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him, all creatures here below  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# Sermon Notes

## **Our Misgivings, Unearthed and Addressed** Acts 6:8-15

- The misgivings Luke is addressing
- How he's been answering them
- Why he insists on answering them

**To God Be the Glory**

**Trinity Hymnal # 55**

1. To God be the glory, great things he has done  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son  
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin  
And opened the life-gate that we may go in

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord  
Let the earth hear his voice  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord  
Let the people rejoice  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son  
And give him the glory, great things he has done

2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood  
To every believer the promise of God  
The vilest offender who truly believes  
That moment from Jesus forgiveness receives (Refrain)

3. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son  
But purer and higher and greater will be  
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see (Refrain)

**Jerusalem the Golden**

**Trinity Hymnal # 539**

1. Jerusalem the golden, with milk and honey blest  
Beneath your contemplation sink heart and voice oppressed  
I know not, O I know not, what joys await us there  
What radiancy of glory, what bliss beyond compare

2. They stand, those halls of Zion, all jubilant with song  
And bright with many an angel, and all the martyr throng  
The Prince is ever in them, the daylight is serene  
The pastures of the blessed are decked in glorious sheen

4. O sweet and blessed country, the home of God's elect  
O sweet and blessed country, that eager hearts expect  
Jesus, in mercy bring us to that dear land of rest  
Who art, with God the Father and Spirit, ever blest

## **Be Unto Your Name**

Gary Sadler | Lynn DeShazo  
CCLI Song # 2177476

We are a moment You are forever  
Lord of the ages God before time  
We are a vapor You are eternal  
Love everlasting reigning on high

Holy Holy Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain  
Highest praises honor and glory  
Be unto Your name  
Be unto Your name

We are the broken You are the healer  
Jesus Redeemer mighty to save  
You are the love song we'll sing forever  
Bowing before You blessing Your name

Holy Holy Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain  
Highest praises honor and glory  
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Be unto Your name  
Be unto Your name, Your name

## **O Word of God Incarnate**

## **Trinity Hymnal # 140**

1. O Word of God Incarnate  
O Wisdom from on high  
O Truth unchanged, unchanging  
O light of our dark sky  
We praise thee for the radiance  
That from the hallowed page  
A lantern to our footsteps  
Shines on from age to age

2. The church from her dear Master  
Received the gift divine  
And still that light she lifteth  
O'er all the earth to shine  
It is the golden casket  
Where gems of truth are stored  
It is the heav'n-drawn picture  
Of Christ, the living Word

3. It floateth like a banner  
Before God's host unfurled  
It shineth like a beacon  
Above the darkling world  
It is the chart and compass  
That o'er life's surging sea  
'Mid mists and rocks and quicksands  
Still guides, O Christ, to thee

4. O make thy church, dear Savior  
A lamp of purest gold  
To bear before the nations  
Thy true light, as of old  
O teach thy wand'ring pilgrims  
By this their path to trace  
Till, clouds and darkness ended  
They see thee face to face