

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER! We welcome all who are visiting with us this morning. We are delighted to have you with us. Please fill out one of our visitor cards so that we can get to know you. If you have any questions about COTR, feel free to ask one of our elders, our ministers, or members. We're glad you're here!

Today-FELLOWSHIP MEAL: We will again have a fellowship meal after our service this morning. If you have no other plans, feel free to join some of our COTR families for the noon meal in the fellowship hall.

Tuesday-SESSION MEETING: The Session will have its regular monthly meeting this Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Please pray for God's blessing on our elders as they meet together.

Next Sunday-FAREWELL TO THE NASHES: Next Sunday, after our evening service, we will have a time of prayer and thanksgiving for Dan and Rachel Nash before they leave for Annapolis, Maryland. As you know, Dan has accepted the call to become pastor of Christ Reformed Evangelical Church. Plan to join us as we give thanks for the many years of service Dan and Rachel have given us here at COTR and pray for God's blessing upon them as they take up their new calling.

GENERAL:

BOOKS OF THE MONTH: The books for sale this month are three more of our excellent Athanasius Press titles:

Trees and Thorns by Jim Jordan – \$14.00

Behind the Veil by Peter Leithart – \$10.00

Christendom and the Nations by Jim Jordan – \$7.00

If you would like any (or all!) of these great books, please get a check to the church office by this Tuesday, January 19.

UPCOMING:

WEDDING SHOWER: Please mark your calendars for a wedding shower in honor of Jenni Travis, Saturday, January 30. More information to come!

LADIES' FIRST TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY RESUMES: The monthly Ladies' Bible Study will resume on the first Tuesday of February (February 2) at 7:00 p.m. and we will meet in the choir room for this study. We'll be reviewing chapter one and finishing up the study of Hebrews chapter 2. Make plans to come!

TRAVIS-MANEY WEDDING: The congregation is invited to the wedding of Jenni Travis and Tim Maney, Saturday, February 6, 2021. Please pray for Jenni and Tim that the Lord will bless their marriage and grant them many long and fruitful years together.

WINTER PARISH-WIDE FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS: We will have our Winter Parish-wide fellowship meetings the afternoon and evening of the first Sunday in February (February 7). Please check with your parish elder(s) for the time and place of your meeting.

THE SCHOOL OF CULTURAL RESTORATION: The first session of our new "School of Cultural Restoration" will begin on Wednesday, February 24. More information will be coming but please mark your calendars and plan to come each Wednesday from February 24 through March 24.

CALENDAR

January 19 – Session meeting, 6:30 p.m.
24 – Farewell for the Nashes after evening worship
30 – Wedding Shower honoring Jenni Travis

February 2 – Ladies' First Tuesday Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.
6 – Travis-Maney Wedding
7 – Winter Parish-wide fellowship meetings, no evening worship
12 – DeSiard Street Shelter lunch, 11:30 a.m.
14 – Second Sunday service, 6:00 p.m.
16 – Shrove Tuesday celebration, 4:00 p.m.
17 – Ash Wednesday prayer service, noon in the sanctuary.
24 – School of Cultural Restoration, Lenten Session, meal 5:30 p.m.

March 2 – Ladies' First Tuesday Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.
3 – School of Cultural Restoration, class #2, meal 5:30 p.m.
10 – SCR, class #3, meal 5:30 p.m.
12 – DeSiard Street Shelter lunch, 11:30 a.m.
14 – Second Sunday service, 6:00 p.m.
Daylight Savings time begins
17 – SCR, class #4, meal 5:30 p.m.
24 – SCR, class #5, meal 5:30 p.m.

April 6 – Ladies' First Tuesday Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.
9 – DeSiard Street Shelter lunch, 11:30 a.m.
11 – Spring Parish-wide fellowship meetings
No evening service
21 – Easter Session of SCR, class #1, meal 5:30 p.m.
28 – SCR, class #2, meal 5:30 p.m.

NURSERY WORKERS FOR TODAY:

Infant: AM: Amy Higginbothan, Heidi Lang
Floater: Alaina Bailey

Toddler: AM: Emily Hilleke, Dana Goehring
Floater: Carter Lang

NEXT WEEK:

Shannin Moreau, Megan Wilkins
Ava Booth

Caleb Wilkins, Paul Gullette
Jaiken Wilkins

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THE LORD'S SERVICE

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

JANUARY 17, 2021

10:00AM MORNING SERVICE

THE LORD CALLS US TO DRAW NEAR

MINISTER: "In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, let us worship God."

† HYMN #9 "Hallelujah! Hallelujah!"

† SALUTATION:

Minister: "Grace to you and peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. The Lord be with you."

Cong: "And with your spirit"

Minister: "The Lord has made known His salvation"

Cong: "His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations."

Minister: "And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse, who shall stand as a banner to the people; for the Gentiles shall seek Him, and His resting place shall be glorious." Amen.

THE LORD CLEANSSES US

CONFESSION OF SINS:

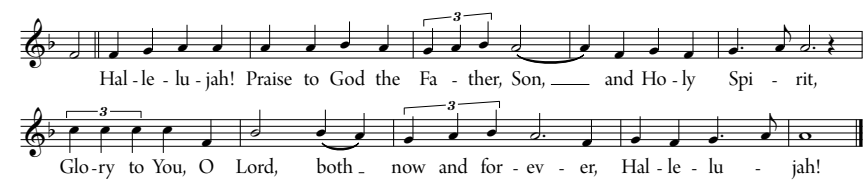
Minister: "Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God"

Cong: *Almighty and merciful God, we have sinned against You and against one another in what we have done and what we have left undone. We confess that in Jesus our light has come, yet we have often departed from His ways and ignored His truth. Gracious God, forgive our sins and remove from us all the remnants of darkness which shroud our lives. Illumine us by Your Word that we may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory and be confirmed in the ways of life and light for the honor of Your holy Son, Jesus, our Lord. Amen.*

† ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Minister: "Arise and hear the good news of God's forgiveness: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

† OPENING ACCLAMATION:

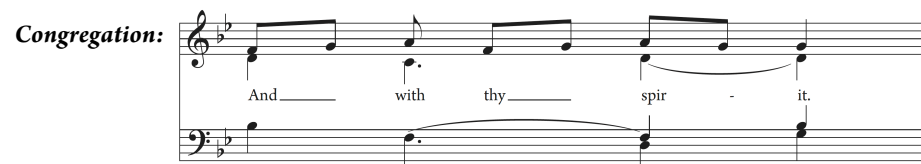


Hal-le-lu-jah! Praise to God the Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit,
Glo-ry to You, O Lord, both now and for-ev-er, Hal-le-lu-jah!

† ASCENSION (Sung Preface & Sursum Corda):

Minister: The Lord be with You.

Congregation:



And with thy spir-it.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

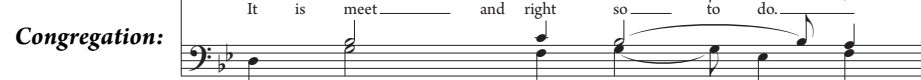
Congregation:



We lift them up un-to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

Congregation:



It is meet and right so to do.

Minister: "It is truly meet, right, and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee. O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty Everlasting God: Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and singing:"

†The Congregation will please stand

† SANCTUS (p. vii, SH)

† PRAYER OF ADORATION

† CANTICLE #6 (SH) "Te Deum"

THE LORD INSTRUCTS US

THE LESSON

1 Samuel 3:1-10

Minister: "The Word of the Lord."

Cong: "Thanks be to God."

CONGREGATIONAL PSALM

Psalm 98

THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Minister: "The Word of the Lord."

Cong: "Thanks be to God."

† HYMN #119

"O Lord, How Shall I Meet Thee"

† READING OF THE GOSPEL

John 1:43-51

Minister: "The Gospel of our Lord."

Cong: "Praise be to You, O Christ."

† THREE-FOLD ALLELUIA:

† PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

SERMON

"The One Mediator Between God and Man"

Pastor Steve Wilkins

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY #118

"O Savior, Precious Savior"

(the congregation will sing this hymn)

† DOXOLOGY

(We lift our hearts, voices, and hands in praise to God)

† PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

†The Congregation will please stand

THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US

HYMN #115

"None Other Lamb"

† PRAYER OF INTERCESSION:

Minister: Lord, in your mercy,

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

† THE LORD'S PRAYER: page ix (SH)

† NICENE CREED:

WE BELIEVE IN ONE GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY; Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

AND IN ONE LORD JESUS CHRIST, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God; Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven; And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven; And sits on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

AND WE BELIEVE IN THE HOLY GHOST; the Lord and Giver of life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets and in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead; And the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER:

Words of Institution

Thanksgiving for the Bread

Communion Hymn #122 "Of the Father's Love Begotten"

Thanksgiving for the Wine

Passing the peace of Christ

Minister: "The Body and Blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the true faith unto life everlasting; in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Amen.

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US

† HYMN #5 (SH)

"Nunc Dimittis"

† BENEDICTION

†The Congregation will please stand