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Lord's Day 30

July 26th, 2026

Evening Service

"The Acceptable Way of Worshipping God"



Nadab and Abihu

Augustin Hirschvogel (1549)

EVENING WORSHIP

CATECHETICAL SERVICE

PRELUDE

"God the Lord is King"
Church

Eden

Dale Wood, 1934

Heavenly Father, send your Holy Spirit into our hearts, to direct and rule us according to your will, to comfort us in all our afflictions, to defend us from all error, and to lead us into all truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Opening Prayer| *For Guidance*

The acceptable way of worshipping the true God is instituted by himself, and so limited to his own revealed will, that he may not be worshipped according to the imaginations and devices of men, or the suggestions of Satan, under any visible representations, or any other way not prescribed in the Holy Scripture.

Westminster Divines | *WCF 21.1, Of Religious Worship*

Therefore watch yourselves very carefully. Since you saw no form on the day that the LORD spoke to you at Horeb out of the midst of the fire, beware lest you act corruptly by making a carved image for yourselves, in the form of any figure, the likeness of male or female, the likeness of anything that creeps on the ground, the likeness of any fish that is in the water under the earth. And beware lest you raise your eyes to heaven, and when you see the sun and the moon and the stars, all the host of heaven, and when you see the sun and the moon and the stars, all the host of heaven, you be drawn away and bow down to them and serve them.

The Holy Prophet Moses| *Deuteronomy 4:15–19*

The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, nor is he served by human hands, as though

he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything.

St. Paul | Acts 17:24–25

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

“Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!”

Psalm 150:6

CALL TO WORSHIP

*GREETING

1 Corinthians

1:2–3

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm

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*HYMN OF PRAISE

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns

Above

*PRAYER OF ENTRANCE

READINGS & RESPONSES

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Leviticus

10:1–4

GOSPEL READING

Matthew

15:1–9

*PSALM OF RESPONSE

Teach Me, O LORD, Your Way of

Truth

PASTORAL PRAYER

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CHAPTER 21, PARAGRAPH 1

OF RELIGIOUS WORSHIP, & THE SABBATH DAY

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and so limited to his own revealed will,
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or the suggestions of Satan,
under any visible representations
or any other way not prescribed in the Holy Scripture.



THE PREACHING OF THE WORD

EPISTLE READING

Hebrews

12:18–29

SERMON

Of

Religious Worship & the Sabbath Day:

The Acceptable Way of Worshipping God

1. The Acceptable Way of Worshipping God

2. The Old Testament Principle

3. The New Covenant Principle

4. The Regulative Principle of Worship

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*HYMN OF APPLICATION

God Himself Is with

Us

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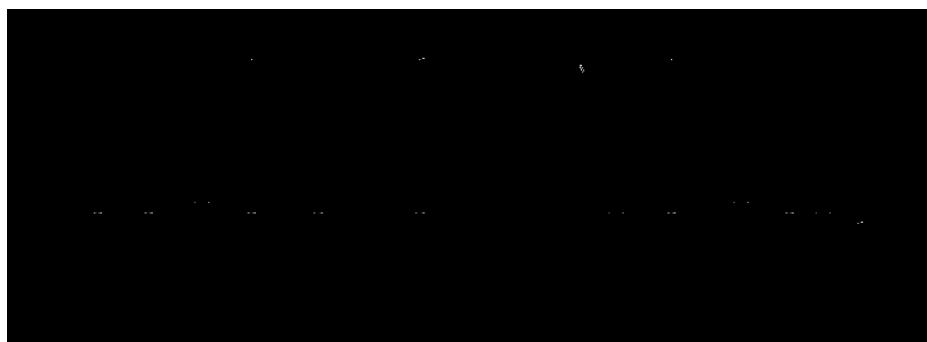
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THE LITURGY OF THE UPPER ROOM

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

LORD'S SUPPER PREFACE

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Minister: How hath Christ appointed bread and wine to be given
and received in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper?

†Congregation: **Christ hath appointed ministers of his Word,
in the administration of this Sacrament of the Lord's**

Supper,

**to set apart the bread and wine from common use,
by the word of institution, thanksgiving, and prayer;**

to take and break the bread,

and give both the bread and the wine to the

communicants;

who are, by the same appointment,

to take and eat the bread, and drink the wine,

in thankful remembrance that the body of Christ

was broken and given,

and is his blood shed for them.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles'

Creed

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Sursum

Corda

Minister: Peace 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 our God.

†Congregation: **It is good and right for us to give thanks.**

Minister: Let us pray to the Lord.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

1 Corinthians

11:23–26

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, 'This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

***DOXOLOGY**

Now Blessed Be the Lord Our

God

Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel,
for he alone does wondrous works in glory that excel.

And blessed be his glorious name to all eternity;
the whole earth let his glory fill. Amen, so let it be.

***BENEDICTION**

Numbers

6:24–26

