

Covenant Church Presbyterian Church in America Fayetteville, Arkansas

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP THE LORD'S DAY

February 5, 2023 10:30 a.m.

Welcome & Announcements

After the 5pm worship service tonight there will be a brief congregational meeting to present the 2023 budget.

There will be a new members class Sunday, Feb. 22 at 2pm

The women of the church are invited to join the Women's Bible Study that meets at the church every Thursday at 9:30 a.m.

The Men of the church are invited to join us on zoom for our weekly Tuesday Noon Bible Study. Link sent out via email weekly.

The Men of the church are invited to join us at the church for our weekly Breakfast and Larger Catechism Bible Study this Friday at 6 a.m.

† Call to Worship

Psalm 122:1-2

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!" ² Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!

† Invocation & Lord's Prayer

Unison

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

"In Christ Alone"

Prayer of Confession of Sin

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 53:4-6

⁴ Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. ⁵ But He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His wounds we are healed. ⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

† Hymn of Assurance #178 (TH #493) "We Have Not Known Thee as We Ought"

- † Confession of Faith Westminster Larger Catechism Q & A #117
- Q. How is the Sabbath or the Lord's Day to be sanctified?

A. The sabbath or Lord's day is to be sanctified by an holy resting all the day, not only from such works as are at all times sinful, but even from such worldly employments and recreations as are on other days lawful;

and making it our delight to spend the whole time (except so much of it as is to be taken up in works of necessity and mercy) in the public and private exercises of God's worship: and, to that end, we are to prepare our hearts, and with such foresight, diligence, and moderation, to dispose and seasonably dispatch our worldly business, that we may be the more free and fit for the duties of that day.

Scripture Reading

Ezekiel 45:1-46:8

¹"When you allot the land as an inheritance, you shall set apart for the Lord a portion of the land as a holy district, 25,000 cubits long and 20,000 cubits broad. It shall be holy throughout its whole extent. ² Of this a square plot of 500 by 500 cubits shall be for the sanctuary, with fifty cubits for an open space around it. ³ And from this measured district you shall measure off a section 25,000 cubits long and 10,000 broad, in which shall be the sanctuary, the Most Holy Place.

⁴ It shall be the holy portion of the land. It shall be for the priests, who minister in the sanctuary and approach the Lord to minister to Him, and it shall be a place for their houses and a holy place for the sanctuary.

⁵ Another section, 25,000 cubits long and 10,000 cubits broad, shall be for the Levites who minister at the temple, as their possession for cities to live in. ⁶ "Alongside the portion set apart as the holy district you shall assign for the property of the city an area 5,000 cubits broad and 25,000 cubits long.

It shall belong to the whole house of Israel. ⁷ "And to the prince shall belong the land on both sides of the holy district and the property of the city, alongside the holy district and the property of the city, on the west and on the east, corresponding in length to one of the tribal portions, and extending from the western to the eastern boundary ⁸ of the land. It is to be his property in Israel. And My princes shall no more oppress My people, but they shall let the house of Israel have the land according to their tribes.

⁹ "Thus says the Lord God: Enough, O princes of Israel! Put away violence and oppression, and execute justice and righteousness. Cease your evictions of My people, declares the Lord God. ¹⁰ "You shall have just balances, a just ephah, and a just bath. ¹¹ The ephah and the bath shall be of the same measure, the bath containing one tenth of a homer, and the ephah one tenth of a homer; the homer shall be the standard measure. ¹² The shekel shall be twenty gerahs; twenty shekels plus twenty-five shekels plus fifteen shekels shall be your mina.

¹³ "This is the offering that you shall make: one sixth of an ephah from each homer of wheat, and one sixth of an ephah from each homer of barley, ¹⁴ and as the fixed portion of oil, measured in baths, one tenth of a bath from each cor (the cor, like the homer, contains ten baths). ¹⁵ And one sheep from every flock of two hundred, from the watering places of Israel for grain offering, burnt offering, and peace offerings, to make atonement for them, declares the Lord God.

¹⁶ All the people of the land shall be obliged to give this offering to the prince in Israel. ¹⁷ It shall be the prince's duty to furnish the burnt offerings, grain offerings, and drink offerings, at the feasts, the new moons, and the Sabbaths, all the appointed feasts of the house of Israel: he shall provide the sin offerings, grain offerings, burnt offerings, and peace offerings, to make atonement on behalf of the house of Israel. ¹⁸ "Thus says the Lord God: In the first month, on the first day of the month,

you shall take a bull from the herd without blemish, and purify the sanctuary. ¹⁹ The priest shall take some of the blood of the sin offering and put it on the doorposts of the temple, the four corners of the ledge of the altar, and the posts of the gate of the inner court. ²⁰ You shall do the same on the seventh day of the month for anyone who has sinned through error or ignorance; so you shall make atonement for the temple. ²¹ "In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month, you shall celebrate the Feast of the Passover,

and for seven days unleavened bread shall be eaten. ²² On that day the prince shall provide for himself and all the people of the land a young bull for a sin offering. ²³ And on the seven days of the festival he shall provide as a burnt offering to the Lord seven young bulls and seven rams without blemish, on each of the seven days; and a male goat daily for a sin offering. ²⁴ And he shall provide as a grain offering an ephah for each bull, an ephah for each ram, and a hin of oil to each ephah.

²⁵ In the seventh month, on the fifteenth day of the month and for the seven days of the feast, he shall make the same provision for sin offerings, burnt offerings, and grain offerings, and for the oil.

¹ "Thus says the Lord God: The gate of the inner court that faces east shall be shut on the six working days, but on the Sabbath day it shall be opened, and on the day of the new moon it shall be opened. ² The prince shall enter by the vestibule of the gate from outside, and shall take his stand by the post of the gate.

The priests shall offer his burnt offering and his peace offerings, and he shall worship at the threshold of the gate. Then he shall go out, but the gate shall not be shut until evening. ³ The people of the land shall bow down at the entrance of that gate before the Lord on the Sabbaths and on the new moons. ⁴ The burnt offering that the prince offers to the Lord on the Sabbath day shall be six lambs without blemish and a ram without blemish. ⁵ And the grain offering with the ram shall be an ephah,

and the grain offering with the lambs shall be as much as he is able, together with a hin of oil to each ephah. ⁶ On the day of the new moon he shall offer a bull from the herd without blemish, and six lambs and a ram, which shall be without blemish. ⁷ As a grain offering he shall provide an ephah with the bull and an ephah with the ram, and with the lambs as much as he is able, together with a hin of oil to each ephah. ⁸ When the prince enters, he shall enter by the vestibule of the gate, and he shall go out by the same way.

Sermon Rev. Dr. Paul Sagan

"The Lord of the Sabbath"

Worship with Tithes & Offerings

† Doxology #567 (TH #731)

"Doxology"

† Prayer of Dedication

† Closing Hymn #152 (TH #391)

"Safely through Another Week"

† Benediction

SERMON OUTLINE February 5, 2023 10:30 a.m.

Ezekiel 45:1-46:8 "The Lord of the Sabbath"

Introduction

- I. The Allotment of the Land v. 1-8
- II. The Atonement for Sin v. 9-17
- III. The Annual Sacrifice v. 18-24
- IV. Access on the Sabbath Ez. 46:1-8

Conclusion

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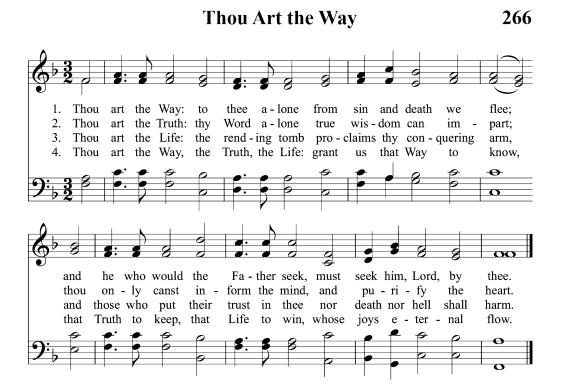
In Christ Alone





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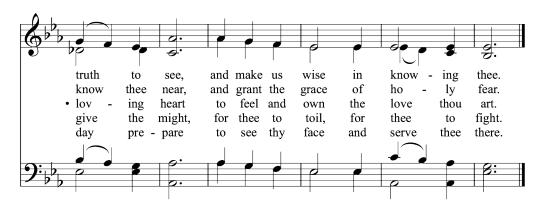


George W. Doane, 1824

ARLINGTON C.M. Thomas A. Arne, 1762 Arr. Ralph Harrison, 1784

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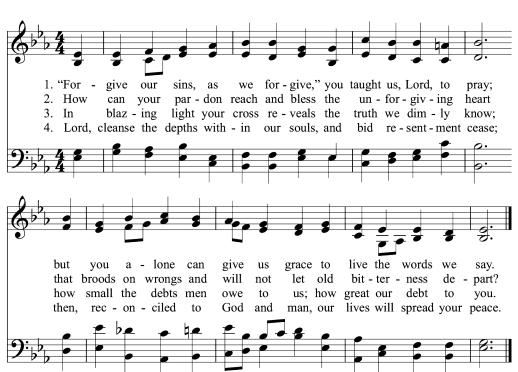


Thomas Benson Pollock, 1889 Alt. 1990

ST. CHRYSOSTOM 8.8.8.8.8. Joseph Barnby, 1872

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Forgive Our Sins, as We Forgive



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Doxology



Thomas Ken, 1674

OLD HUNDREDTH L.M. Louis Bourgeois, 1551

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Safely through Another Week



John Newton, 1774

DIX 7.7.7.7.7. Conrad Kocher, 1838 Arr. William H. Monk, 1861