

The Order for the Worship of God

January 17, 2021

11:00 a.m.

“To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.”
(Revelation 1:5b-6)

Welcome and Announcements (Please turn your cell phone to “silent” mode. Thank you!)

Piano Prelude

Deborah Davis

Call to Worship

from Psalm 139

PASTOR: You formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother’s womb.

ALL: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

*Hymn #37

All That I Am I Owe to Thee

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Morning Prayers for Christ’s Church and the World

Scripture Lesson

Mark 1:12-13 and Matthew 4:1-11

Sermon

Rev. Dr. H. Andrew Silman

Please read the following prayer followed by your personal prayer of confession to God

Father God, you have brought us into your kingdom, but we run from you daily and worship other gods. We love food, our jobs, our leisure, our good works, possessions, family, and friends more than we love you. We crave approval, power, respect, and comfort and are even willing to sin to get them. Deliver us, we pray, from these false gods. Forgive us for failing with the first Adam. Tempted, tried, and often failing, we look to you for strength. Thank you, Jesus, that your yoke is easy and your burden light. You have taken the burden of our sins on yourself. You were tempted by Satan with earthly comfort, glory, and authority, but you trusted and obeyed your Father instead. You endured poverty, shame, and a criminal’s death in our behalf and for our salvation. Lovingly, you saved us, standing in our place as the second Adam. Free us from all that rules our hearts besides you. Deliver us from slavery to our besetting sins. Replace our resemblance to the first Adam with your likeness, Son of God. Loosen our grip on the false security, comfort, and pleasure our sins offer, so that we might be devoted to you, in whom alone we find delight, fulfillment, rest, hope, joy, and indeed life itself. Amen.

*Hymn #498

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

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Postlude

Deborah Davis

*Congregation Stands. (Please feel free to be seated at any time.)

WELCOME TO ALL who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whoever will come this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

DR. SILMAN’S SERMONS are prerecorded and aired at 8:00 a.m. on WSQL Radio (1240 AM or 102.1 FM or may be accessed online at www.wsql.info) each Sunday. They are also emailed to those who are unable to attend worship in person. If you would like to receive the sermon by email and are not currently a recipient, please contact Leigh Lipsi to be added to the list (leighlipsi@gmail.com).

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN benefitting The Center for Women begins today, Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. The return date on the bottles will be February 28th. Last year, an amazing \$27,000 was received as believers across the city and county stuffed the bottles with coins, cash, and/or checks. Due to COVID-19 the Spring Life Banquet and the 5k Reindeer Run (two important fund-raisers) were cancelled last year; nevertheless, there were 455 client visits, 7 fathers were mentored in our Fatherhood Ministry. Twenty-one babies were given life, and twenty women were given a free ultrasound which greatly influenced their decision to give life to their newly developing baby. Robin Moffitt says, “We are thankful to be a part of this life-saving and life-changing work. Through your support of this ministry, you also share an integral part of saving lives.”

ALL THAT I AM I OWE TO THEE (HYMN TUNE: GERMANY)

**All that I am I owe to thee; thy wisdom, Lord, has fashioned me.
I give my Maker thankful Praise, whose wondrous works my soul amaze.**

**Ere into being I was brought, thine eye did see, and in thy thought
My life in all its perfect plan was ordered ere my days began.**

**Search me O God, my heart discern, try me, my inmost thought to learn;
And lead me, if in sin I stray, to choose the everlasting way.**

JESUS! WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS!

**Jesus! What a Friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul.
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, he, my Savior, makes me whole!**

**Refrain: Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.**

**Jesus! What a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in him.
Tempted, tried, and oftentimes failing, he, my strength, my vict'ry wins.**

Refrain

**Jesus! I do now receive him, more than all in him I find.
He has granted me forgiveness; I am his and he is mine.**

Refrain