

THE LORD'S DAY

July 19, 2026

10 O'clock A.M.

We gather as God's people to worship the Triune God:

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*We do so through our Lord Jesus' sin-substitutionary death,
and by the enabling power of the Holy Spirit.*

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 40:9-18

Behold your God!

Behold, the Lord God comes with might!

*Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand?
And marked off the heavens with a span?*

Weighed the mountains in scales?

And the hills in a balance?

*Behold the nations are like a drop from a bucket.
And are accounted as the dust on the scales.*

To whom then will you liken God?

Or what likeness compare with Him?

*Yahweh is the Everlasting God,
The Creator of the ends of the earth.*

*HYMN OF ADORATION

Let All Things Now Living

#125

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CONFESSION OF FAITH

SC Qs. 9,11; Heidelberg Q. 277

What is the work of creation?

*God making all things of nothing by the word of His power,
in the space of six days, and all very good.*

What are God's works of providence?

*His most holy, wise, and powerful preserving and governing all
his creatures and all their actions.*

Tell me more about providence?

*The Almighty and Everywhere Present Power of God; whereby,
by His hand governs heaven, earth, and all creatures.
so that herbs and grass, rain, and drought, fruitful and barren
years, meat and drink, health and sickness, riches, and poverty,
yes, and all things come, not by chance, but by His Fatherly hand.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

Romans 1:18-23

Heavenly Father, you have revealed Yourself to all mankind through Your creation so that they are all without excuse. But like Pagans sometimes we do not acknowledge You as the one and only Creator and Sustainer of all things. We do not always honor You and Give thanks. We too are in danger of making idols out of created things, exchanging the glory of the immortal God for created things. Forgive us, we pray for our ingratitude. Forgive us for our idolatry, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior who died for us!

**Wretched man that I am!
Who will deliver me from this body of death?**

Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Therefore, now there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

God by sending His own Son, in the likeness of sinful flesh,

He condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirements of the law might be fulfilled in us

*Who live now not according to the sinful nature,
but according to the Spirit of God.*

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF DEVOTION	Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ	#524
	<i>Ushers come forward at this time.</i>	

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE	Doxology	#731
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*READING OF GOD’S WORD	Psalm 104
	Pew Bible Pg.595,596

PREACHING OF THE WORD	God is Great!
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*HYMN OF RESPONSE	Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise	#38
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*BENEDICTION

*GLORIA PATRI	#735
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1 Bless Yahweh, O my soul!
Oh Yahweh, You are very great!
You are clothed with splendor and majesty,
2 covering Yourself with light as with a garment,
stretching out the heavens like a tent.

3 He lays the beams of His chambers on the waters;
He makes the clouds His chariot;
He rides on the wings of the wind;
4 He makes His messengers winds,
His ministers a flaming fire.

5 He set the earth on its foundations,
So that it should never be moved.
6 You covered it with the deep as with a garment;
The waters stood above the mountains.
7 At Your rebuke they fled;
At the sound of Your thunder they took to flight.

8 The mountains rose, the valleys sank down
To the place that You appointed for them.
9 You set a boundary that they may not pass,
So that they might not again cover the earth.

10 You make springs gush forth in the valleys;
They flow between the hills;
11 They give drink to every beast of the field;
The wild donkeys quench their thirst.
12 Beside them the birds of the heavens dwell;
They sing among the branches.

13 From Your lofty abode You water the mountains;
The earth is satisfied with the fruit of Your work.

14 You cause the grass to grow for the livestock
And plants for man to cultivate,
That he may bring forth food from the earth
15 And wine to gladden the heart of man,
Oil to make His face shine
And break to strengthen man's heart.

16 The trees of Yahweh are watered abundantly,
The cedars of Lebanon that He planted.
17 In them the birds build their nests;
The stork has her home in the fir trees.
18 The high mountains are for the wild goats;
The rocks are a refuge for the rock badgers.

19 He made the moon to mark the seasons;
The sun knows its time for setting.
20 You make darkness, and it is night,
When all the beasts of the forest creep about.
21 The young lions roar for their prey,
Seeking their food from God.
22 When the sun rises, they steal away
And lie down in their dens.
23 Man goes out to his work
And to his labor until the evening.

24 O Yahweh, how manifold are Your works!
In wisdom have you made them all;
The earth is full of Your creatures.
25 Here is the sea, great and wide, which teems with creatures
innumerable, living things both small and great.
26 There go the ships
And Leviathan, which You formed to play in it.

27 These all look to You,
To give them their food in due season.

28 When You give it to them, they gather it up;
When You open Your hand,
They are filled with good things.
29 When You hide Your face, they are dismayed;
When You take away their breath,
They die and return to their dust.
30 When You send forth Your Spirit they are created,
And You renew the face of the ground.

31 May the glory of Yahweh endure forever;
May Yahweh rejoice in His works,
32 Who looks on the earth and it trembles,
Who touches the mountains and they smoke!

33 I will sing to Yahweh as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
34 May my meditation be pleasing to him,
For I rejoice in Yahweh.
35 Let sinners be consumed from the earth,
Let the wicked be no more!
Bless Yahweh, O my soul!
Praise Yahweh!

Psalm 104

1 Praise Yahweh, my soul!

Yahweh You are Very Great!

Day 3 Of Creation Week [Gen 1:9,10]

“Let the waters be gathered together...dry land appear”

“God called the dry land Earth, and the water...Seas”

5 He set the earth on its foundations,

So that it should never be moved.

6 You covered it with the deep as with a garment;

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Context: Creation Week [verses 1-4]

Allusion: Restoration following Flood [Gen 8:13-19]

“waters dried from off the earth... ground was dry”

“go out from ark...[animals] swarm earth...

be fruitful and multiply”

“I establish my covenant with you, never again shall all

flesh be cut off by the flood, never again shall

there be a flood to destroy the earth” [Gen 9:11]

Ordinary & Extra-ordinary Providence

God set up Earth with Land & Water boundaries

God continued this Situation after Fall

However, God Brought Judgment Upon World!

Extra-Ordinary Providence: World-wide Flood!

Then a Return to Ordinary Providence

It will Remain Until Christ's Returns!

The Providence of Continually Watering the Earth

God sends Rain [13,16] and Springs to flow from earth [10]

10 You make springs gush forth in the valleys;

They flow between the hills;

11 They give drink to every beast of the field;

The wild donkeys quench their thirst.

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God's Providence is a Blessing for All Creation!

1] This is God's Sovereign Work [10, 13]

2] God Causes grass to grow, trees, plants to cultivate [13,14,16]

3] Man/animals/plants need water - God provides [11,14,16]

a. Water a Basic Necessity For Life! Food too! [14]

b. Enjoyment of Animals & Especially Mankind!!

“Wine gladden the heart of man...oil face shine,

bread strengthen man's heart” [Christians & Pagans]