



LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

July 13, 2025



*Welcome one another
as Christ has welcomed you,
for the glory of God.*

Romans 15:7

ANNOUNCEMENTS



THIS SUNDAY

- **POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP**: Everyone is invited to join us after the service downstairs in the fellowship hall.
- **EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE**: This Sunday at **5:30PM** during which the Lord's Supper will be served. See service details on page 12 of this bulletin (or the church calendar on our app or website).

THIS COMING WEEK

- **GROUP STUDY**: We will continue our study of Paul's letter to the Romans next **Tuesday** (July 15) at **7:00PM**. Everyone is invited to participate, either in person (meeting downstairs) or online. via Zoom (see the weekly Tuesday email for the Zoom link).
- **MONTHLY SESSION MEETING**: Next **Wednesday** (July 16) at **6:00PM** at the church. All are welcome to attend.

MORNING WORSHIP



SILENT PRAYER & INVOCATION

GREETING

PEOPLE: Amen!

CALL TO WORSHIP

from [Psalm 24:7-10](#)

SONGS OF PRAISE

[“Gloria Patri”](#)

#734

**Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

[“Lead On, O King Eternal”](#)

#580

**Lead on, O King eternal,
the day of march has come;
henceforth in fields of conquest
thy tents shall be our home:
through days of preparation
thy grace has made us strong,
and now, O King eternal,
we lift our battle song.**

**Lead on, O King eternal,
till sin’s fierce war shall cease,
and holiness shall whisper
the sweet amen of peace;**

**for not with swords loud clashing,
nor roll of stirring drums,
but deeds of love and mercy,
the heav'nly kingdom comes.**

**Lead on, O King eternal,
we follow, not with fears;
for gladness breaks like morning
where'er thy face appears;
thy cross is lifted o'er us;
we journey in its light:
the crown awaits the conquest;
lead on, O God of might.**

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SUMMONS TO REPENTANCE

[*Genesis 3:1–7a*](#)

CONFESSING OUR SIN

**Lord God of Hosts, King of kings, God of gods, we see
in our first parents' sin a rebellion against your
sovereign rule that exists in us as well: our thoughts,
words, and actions. We are not content to hear,
understand, and obey your Word. We seek to rule
ourselves, and to be wise in our own eyes. But we
cannot even rule our own sinful impulses, and our
sinful folly is ever before us. Forgive our sins, O our
Father, in your grace and mercy, as we come to you
in Jesus Christ our Savior. We thank you for sending
Him to save us, and also giving us your Spirit. May
He teach and lead us in grateful obedience to you.**

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

**IN THESE MOMENTS, WE SILENTLY CONFESS OUR PERSONAL SINS
TO GOD SO THAT WE MAY TAKE HOLD OF THE FORGIVENESS
WON FOR US BY CHRIST, OUR REDEEMER.**

SINGING GOD'S GRACE

["O Lord, by Grace Delivered"](#) (Psalm 30)

#626

**O Lord, by grace delivered,
I now with songs extol;
my foes you have not suffered
to glory o'er my fall.**

**O Lord, my God, I sought you,
and you did heal and save;
you, Lord, from death did ransom
and keep me from the grave.**

**His holy name remember;
you saints, Jehovah praise;
his anger lasts a moment,
his favor all our days;
for sorrow, like a pilgrim,
may tarry for a night,
but joy the heart will gladden
when dawns the morning light.**

**In prosp'rous days I boasted;
unmoved I shall remain;
for, Lord, by your good favor
my cause you did maintain;
I soon was sorely troubled,
for you did hide your face;
I cried to you, Jehovah,
I sought Jehovah's grace.**

**What profit if I perish,
if life you do not spare?
Shall dust repeat your praises,
shall it your truth declare?**

**O Lord, on me have mercy,
and my petition hear;
that you may be my helper,
in mercy, Lord, appear.**

**My grief is turned to gladness,
to you my thanks I raise,
who have removed my sorrow
and girded me with praise;
and now, no longer silent,
my heart your praise will sing;
O Lord, my God, forever
my thanks to you I bring.**

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WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q/A 103–104

Q. 103. What do we pray for in the third petition?

A: In the third petition, which is, *Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven*, we pray that God, by His grace, would make us able and willing to know, obey, and submit to His will in all things, as the angels do in heaven.

Q: 104. What do we pray for in the fourth petition?

A: In the fourth petition, which is, *Give us this day our daily bread*, we pray that of God's free gift we may receive a competent portion of the good things of this life, and enjoy His blessing with them.

PRAYER

[Honduras \(prayercast.com\)](http://prayercast.com): With its tall mountains, lush rain forests, and tropical climate, Honduras is the second-largest nation in Central America. Named for the deep waters near its coastlines, the nation is home to one of the last tropical rainforests in North America. The indigenous peoples of Honduras were defeated by the Spanish in 1538, and the nation gained its independence in 1821. As a result of political unrest across Central America, Honduras formed a relationship with the United States, causing resentment among their neighbors, such as El Salvador. Honduras is governed by a democratic civilian government with two political parties: Liberales and Nacionalistas.

Honduras is the second-poorest nation in Central America (Nicaragua) and one of the poorest in the Western Hemisphere. 54% of the population, *campesinos*, work in agriculture, yet one-third of the people are unemployed and 65% live below the poverty line. Hondurans sometimes refer to their nation as *machista* (macho, sexist) because men are viewed as more important by society.

About 95% of the population claim Christianity, and Roman Catholicism is the largest segment. The number of evangelical Christians has increased dramatically since the 1960's, and research has found that about 36% of the population agrees with evangelical beliefs. The biggest problems facing the Church are socio-economic issues, such as children at risk, HIV/AIDS, and gang violence. More than half of the population are children, and the streets are full of orphans and unwanted children who get pulled into the gang or sex trade lifestyle out of desperation. Pray that the Church and other ministries will reach out to these desperate children and that God would use His people to comfort those hurting across Honduras.

- Pray for unity and cooperation among various denominations within the growing evangelical community.
- Pray for an end to extreme poverty, homelessness, and drug addiction among urban children.
- Pray for truth and justice to prevail over government corruption.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MINISTER'S PRAYER,
THE CONGREGATION SHALL PRAY TOGETHER:

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.

SERMON TEXT

[Deuteronomy 20:1-20](#)

¹“When you go out to war against your enemies, and see horses and chariots and an army larger than your own, you shall not be afraid of them, for the LORD your God is with you, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. ²And when you draw near to the battle, the priest shall come forward and speak to the people ³and shall say to them, ‘Hear, O Israel, today you are drawing near for battle against your enemies: let not your heart faint. Do not fear or panic or be in dread of them, ⁴for the LORD your God is he who goes with you to fight for you against your enemies, to give you the victory.’ ⁵Then the officers shall speak to the people, saying, ‘Is there any man who has built a new house and has not dedicated it? Let him go back to his house, lest he die in the battle and another man dedicate it. ⁶And is there any man who has planted a vineyard and has not enjoyed its fruit? Let him go back to his house, lest he die in the battle and another man enjoy its fruit. ⁷And is there any man who has betrothed a wife and has not taken her? Let him go back to his house, lest he die in the battle and another man take her.’ ⁸And the officers shall speak further to the people, and say, ‘Is there any man who is fearful and fainthearted? Let him go back to his house, lest he make the heart of his fellows

melt like his own.’ ⁹ And when the officers have finished speaking to the people, then commanders shall be appointed at the head of the people.

¹⁰ When you draw near to a city to fight against it, offer terms of peace to it. ¹¹ And if it responds to you peaceably and it opens to you, then all the people who are found in it shall do forced labor for you and shall serve you. ¹² But if it makes no peace with you, but makes war against you, then you shall besiege it. ¹³ And when the LORD your God gives it into your hand, you shall put all its males to the sword, ¹⁴ but the women and the little ones, the livestock, and everything else in the city, all its spoil, you shall take as plunder for yourselves. And you shall enjoy the spoil of your enemies, which the LORD your God has given you. ¹⁵ Thus you shall do to all the cities that are very far from you, which are not cities of the nations here. ¹⁶ But in the cities of these peoples that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance, you shall save alive nothing that breathes, ¹⁷ but you shall devote them to complete destruction, the Hittites and the Amorites, the Canaanites and the Perizzites, the Hivites and the Jebusites, as the LORD your God has commanded, ¹⁸ that they may not teach you to do according to all their abominable practices that they have done for their gods, and so you sin against the LORD your God.

¹⁹ When you besiege a city for a long time, making war against it in order to take it, you shall not destroy its trees by wielding an axe against them. You may eat from them, but you shall not cut them down. Are the trees in the field human, that they should be besieged by you? ²⁰ Only the trees that you know are not trees for food you may destroy and cut down, that you may build siegeworks against the city that makes war with you, until it falls.”

GRATEFUL PRAISE

"Soldiers of Christ, Arise"

#575

**Soldiers of Christ, arise,
and put your armor on,
strong in the strength which God supplies
through his eternal Son.**

**Strong in the Lord of Hosts,
and in his mighty pow'r,
who in the strength of Jesus trusts
is more than conqueror.**

**Stand then in his great might,
with all his strength endued;
but take, to arm you for the fight,
the panoply of God.**

**Leave no unguarded place,
no weakness of the soul;
take ev'ry virtue, ev'ry grace,
and fortify the whole.**

To keep your armor bright,
attend with constant care;
still walking in your Captain's sight,
and watching unto prayer.
From strength to strength go on;
wrestle and fight and pray;
tread all the pow'rs of darkness down,
and win the well-fought day.

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THE LORD'S SUPPER

PLEASE **HOLD** ELEMENTS UNTIL **ALL** ARE SERVED.

WHITE GRAPE JUICE IS IN THE TRAYS.

GLUTEN-FREE BREAD IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

MINISTER: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

GRATEFUL OFFERINGS

"Doxology"

#733

BENEDICTION

2 Thessalonians 3:5, 18

"Threefold Amen"

#740



EVENING WORSHIP

OPENING PRAYER

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 141
(TH page 836–837)

HYMN

"Take My Life, and Let It Be"

TH #585

RESPONSIVE READING

Shorter Catechism 49

LEADER: Which is the second commandment?

PEOPLE: The second commandment is, Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

LEADER: Our one and only Triune God, we confess that we have not worshiped you as you have commanded us to worship you.

PEOPLE: We confess that we have not only created idols of things, and desired them more than you, but that we have created for ourselves our own ideas of who you are and what you have done, are doing, and will do.

**ALL: Have mercy on us for this idolatry,
and create in us clean hearts and pure minds,
so that we might worship you in Spirit and Truth,
as your Son Jesus Christ has taught us is your great
desire.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 2:4–5

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ — by grace you have been saved...

PRAYERS

SERMON

[James 5:12](#)

“Yea or Nay”

(See WCF 22.2 — TH page 861)

HYMN

[“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”](#) (Ps 104)

Songbook

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CLOSING PRAYER



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