

Prelude "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" arr. Don Wyrzten

Welcome and Announcements Rev. H. Neely Gaston, D. D.

Call to Worship [from *The Shorter Catechism*, questions 5, 45 – 47]

5. Are there more Gods than one?

**There is but one only, the living and true God.**

45. Which is the first commandment?

**The first commandment is, "Thou shalt have no other gods before me."**

46. What is required in the first commandment?

**The first commandment requireth us to know and acknowledge God to be the only true God, and our God, and to worship and glorify Him accordingly.**

47. What is forbidden in the first commandment?

**The first commandment forbiddeth the denying, or not worshipping and glorifying, the true God as God, and our God; and the giving of that worship and glory to any other, which is due to Him alone.**

\*Bible Songs, 205 "The Holiness of God" NICAEA

\*Invocation

The Lord's Prayer

*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.*

Trinity Hymnal, 719 "A Christian Home" FINLANDIA

Psalter Reading Psalm 36 (*Trinity Hymnal*, page 797)

Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; and the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic\* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

\*universal or world-wide

Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father" [TH 734] MEINEKE

Children's Sermon

Silent Prayer "Lamb of God, We Fall Before Thee" arr. Henry J. Markworth

Prayer

Offertory "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness" arr. Rudolf Moser

\*Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" [TH 731] OLD HUNDREDTH

\*Prayer

Scripture Mark 12:28-33

<sup>28</sup> And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, "Which commandment is the most important of all?" <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. <sup>30</sup> And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' <sup>31</sup> The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." <sup>32</sup> And the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher. You have truly said that he is one, and there is no other besides him. <sup>33</sup> And to love him with all the heart and with all the understanding and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as oneself, is much more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices."

Sermon "Important Things"

Prayer

\*Trinity Hymnal, 338 "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart" (v 1, 3, 5) MORECAMBE

\*Prayer

\*Benediction

\*Postlude "Postlude on FESTAL SONG" arr. Gordon Young

**Announcements for Sunday, May 12, 2024**

Scholarship forms are available. Complete and return to David McCain by Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.

The Leadership Committee will meet Monday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room.

The Diaconate meets Sunday, May, 19<sup>th</sup>. The Session and our Women’s Ministry meet Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.

Special Offering:

In loving honor of Joe and Ann Simpson by Ginger Sharpe

*Upcoming Events*

**Monday, May 13**

10:00 a.m. – Leadership Planning Meeting in Conference Room

**Wednesday May 15**

6:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, May 16**

6:30-8:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall

**Saturday, May 18**

8:00-3:00 p.m. Concealed Weapons Class

**Sunday, May 19**

10:00 a.m. - Child/Adult Bible Study

11:00 a.m. - Worship

Diaconate meets in Fellowship Hall

**Tuesday, May 21**

6-8 p.m. – Joe Gordon Church Safety Presentation

**Wednesday, May 22**

6:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, May 23**

6:00-8:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall

**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

May 14 – Alissa Smith	May 25 – Reid Carrico
May 20 – Nancy Bailey	May 26 – Rob Dodson
May 23 – Andy & Sandy Bennett	May 26 – Pete & Mary Beth Burton
May 24 – Ann Simpson	May 27 – Mark & Debbie Bennett

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Welcome in the name of Christ to all who gather for worship at Union Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. As you join us for worship, we hope that you will sense God’s presence, be caught up in joyful praise, be challenged by God’s Word, and leave strengthened to live for Christ in the world. If you do not have a church home in this community, we encourage you to consider uniting with us in our work and worship.