ORDER OF WORSHIP
November 8, 2026

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*Indicates those able may stand

When the prelude begins, please quiet your hearts in preparation for worship

Prelude

"Wer nur den leiben Gott lasst walten" (BWV 647) J.S. Bach
(If thou but suffer God to guide thee)
*"*Amazing Grace" S. Batt Owens

Welcome and Announcements Dr. Drew DiNardo

Preparation for Worship Dr. Stuart Sacks

*Call to Worship *(Adapted from Nehemiah 9)*

One: Stand up and praise the LORD your God, who is from everlasting to everlasting.

All: Blessed be your glorious name, and may it be exalted above all blessing and praise.

One: You alone are the LORD. . .You give life to everything, and the multitudes of heaven worship you.

*Invocation

*Hymn 167 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

1 When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries:
May Jesus Christ be praised. Alike at work and prayer
to Jesus I repair: May Jesus Christ be praised.

2 When sleep her balm denies, my silent spirit sighs:
May Jesus Christ be praised. When evil thoughts molest,
with this I shield my breast: May Jesus Christ be praised.

3 Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find:
May Jesus Christ be praised. Or fades my earthly bliss?
My comfort still is this: May Jesus Christ be praised.

4 In heav'n's eternal bliss the loveliest strain is this:
May Jesus Christ be praised. The pow'rs of darkness fear,
when this sweet chant they hear: May Jesus Christ be praised.

5 Let earth's wide circle round in joyful notes resound:
May Jesus Christ be praised. Let air and sea and sky,
from depth to height, reply: May Jesus Christ be praised.

6 Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine:
May Jesus Christ be praised. Be this th'eternal song,
through all the ages on: May Jesus Christ be praised.

*Call to Confession Rev. Nathan Titus

Time of Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

*The Gloria Patri

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.

*2nd Sunday Confession of Faith

(Adapted from The Ligonier Statement on Christology)

We believe in and confess the mystery and wonder of God made flesh and rejoice in our great salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.

With the Father and the Holy Spirit, the Son created all things, sustains all things, and makes all things new.

Truly God, He became truly man, two natures in one person.
He was born of the Virgin Mary and lived among us.
Crucified, dead, and buried, He rose on the third day, ascended to heaven, and will come again in glory and judgment.

For us, He kept the Law, atoned for sin, and satisfied God's wrath.
He is our Prophet, Priest, and King, building His church, interceding for us, and reigning over all things.

Jesus Christ is Lord; we praise His holy Name forever. Amen.

Psalter Reading *(Psalm 70)* Page 810

Hasten, O God, to save me; O LORD, come quickly to help me.

May those who seek my life be put to shame and confusion;

may all who desire my ruin be turned back in disgrace.

May those who say to me, "Aha! Aha!" turn back because of their shame.

But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;

may those who love your salvation always say, "Let God be exalted!"

Yet I am poor and needy; come quickly to me, O God.

You are my help and my deliverer; O LORD, do not delay.

Musical Offering "If Ye Love Me" T. Tallis

(St Stephen Choir – text from John 14:15-17)

(If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another comforter, that he may bide with you forever, even the Spirit of truth)

Pastoral Prayer and 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.

Offertory "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" arr. B. Adams

Sermon Text Mark 6:14-29 Page 841

Sermon "Martyrdom and the Message of Repentance"

Dr. Drew DiNardo

*Closing Hymn 578 "The Son of God Goes Forth to War"

1 The Son of God goes forth to war,
a kingly crown to gain;
his blood-red banner streams afar:
who follows in his train?
Who best can drink his cup of woe,
triumphant over pain,
who patient bears his cross below,
he follows in his train.

2 The martyr first, whose eagle eye
could pierce beyond the grave,
who saw his Master in the sky,
and called on him to save;

like him, with pardon on his tongue
in midst of mortal pain,
he prayed for them that did the wrong:
who follows in his train?

3 A glorious band, the chosen few
on whom the Spirit came,
twelve valiant saints, their hope they knew,
and mocked the cross and flame:
they met the tyrant's brandished steel,
the lion's gory mane;
they bowed their necks the death to feel:
who follows in their train?

4 A noble army, men and boys,
the matron and the maid,
around the Savior's throne rejoice,
in robes of light arrayed:
they climbed the steep ascent of heav'n
through peril, toil, and pain:
O God, to us may grace be giv'n
to follow in their train.

*Benediction

*Congregation Three-fold Amen

*Postlude "Now Thank We All Our God" (from Cantata 79)
J.S. Bach/Fox

Join us at 4:00 pm for a Patriotic Music Program.