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**THE LORD'S DAY OF APRIL 8,
THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 2012
10:00 AM**

“But the LORD is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.”
(Habakkuk 2:20)

WE PREPARE TO MEET WITH GOD

Welcome

Preparatory Devotional

Quiet Prayer

Asterisks (*) denote portions for congregation to stand.
Unless otherwise stated, all Scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version (ESV).
Congregational readings are in **bold**.

GOD SUMMONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

The Greeting of God

The Call to Worship: *Revelation 1:17-18*

¹⁷When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, “Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.”

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S SUMMONS

*Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 731, “Doxology”*

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 286, “Worship Christ, the Risen King!”*

GOD DECLARES HIS LAW

Reading of the Law: *Exodus 20:7*

⁷“You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.”

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S LAW

Silent Prayer of Confession

Confession of Sin (Unison):

**Heavenly Father, King of Glory,
we have taken your most holy Name in vain.**

**We have held your Word lightly,
spoken it carelessly,
and received it with little intention to obey.**

**We have broken our promises to you,
misused your good gifts to us,**

and dishonored you before unbelievers.

Forgive us, O Lord, for the shame we have heaped on your holy Name.

Forgive our sins for the sake of Christ Jesus,
who died for the ungodly (Rom 5:6),
and fulfilled all righteousness (Mt 3:15).

GOD DECLARES HIS GOSPEL

Reading of the Gospel: *1 Corinthians 1:30-31*

³⁰And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹so that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

Confession of the Gospel (Unison):

Dear heavenly Father, we receive and rest on Christ Jesus alone for righteousness, holiness, and eternal life.

Assurance of Pardon: *1 Corinthians 6:19-20*

¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, ²⁰for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL

*Hymn of Thanksgiving: *Trinity Hymnal 274, “Thine Be the Glory”*

GOD TEACHES US HIS WORD

Reading of the Word of God: *Ephesians 1:17-20*

¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places,

Prayer for Understanding

Preaching of the Word of God:

“Christ Jesus—Our Future, Our Glory, Our Power”—Pastor Christopher Seah

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Response: *Trinity Hymnal 277, "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"*

*The Confession of Faith (Unison): *The 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 Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit;
the holy catholic⁺ Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting.**

⁺ catholic: universal

Amen.

*Hymn of Consecration: *Trinity Hymnal 300: "Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power"*

GOD DISMISSES US WITH HIS BLESSINGS

*Benediction