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THE LORD'S DAY

April 23, 2023 at 8:30 AM & 10:15 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Organ Prelude David Schmidt
Piano Wendy Baldwin

Announcements

Hymn 815 Doxology

Prayer

Scripture Reading – Psalm 107 (opposite page)

Hymn 707 He Giveth More Grace

Hymn 708 Behold What Manner of Grace

Hymn 732 The Battle Belongs to the Lord

Pastoral Prayer

Message

LOYALTY TO CHRIST

Revelation 2:8-11 Rev. Calvin VanderMey

Hymn 449 Lord, Lay Some Soul upon My Heart

Benediction

Postlude

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Tuesday Precept on Zoom – Galatians - wlabaldwin@gmail.com

Wednesday 10 AM - Men's Bible Fellowship

Wednesday 6:30 PM – Prayer and Bible Study

Thursday 8:15 AM – Precept Bible Study

Thursday 6:30-7:45 PM - Choir practice

Saturday 9-10 AM Men's Breakfast

WESTMINSTER CATECHISM

Q. 51. What is forbidden in the second commandment?

A. The second commandment forbiddeth the worshipping of God by images, or any other way not appointed in His Word. Deut. 4:15-19; Rom. 1:22-

23, Lev. 10:1-2; Jer. 19:4-5; Col. 2:18-23

LOOKING AHEAD

May 13 – Ladies Tea 12:30 PM

Thanksgiving to the LORD for His Great Works of Deliverance

107 Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for *He is* good!

For His mercy *endures* forever.

² **Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,**

Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,

³ And gathered out of the lands, From the east and from the west,
From the north and from the south.

⁴ **They wandered in the wilderness in a desolate way;**

They found no city to dwell in.

⁵ Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.

⁶ **Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble,**

And He delivered them out of their distresses.

⁷ And He led them forth by the right way,

That they might go to a city for a dwelling place.

⁸ **Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the LORD for His goodness,**

And for His wonderful works to the children of men!

⁹ For He satisfies the longing soul, and fills the hungry soul with goodness.

¹⁰ **Those who sat in darkness and in the shadow of death,**

Bound in affliction and irons—

¹¹ Because they rebelled against the words of God,

And despised the counsel of the Most High,

¹² **Therefore He brought down their heart with labor;**

They fell down, and *there was none to help.*

¹³ Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble,

And He saved them out of their distresses.

¹⁴ **He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death,**

And broke their chains in pieces.

¹⁵ Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the LORD for His goodness,

And for His wonderful works to the children of men!

¹⁶ **For He has broken the gates of bronze, and cut the bars of iron in two.**

¹⁷ Fools, because of their transgression,

And because of their iniquities, were afflicted.

¹⁸ **Their soul abhorred all manner of food,**

And they drew near to the gates of death.

¹⁹ Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble,

And He saved them out of their distresses.

²⁰ **He sent His word and healed them,**

And delivered *them* from their destructions.

²¹ Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the LORD for His goodness,

And for His wonderful works to the children of men!

²² **Let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving,**

And declare His works with rejoicing.

²³ Those who go down to the sea in ships, who do business on great waters,
²⁴ They see the works of the LORD, and His wonders in the deep.
²⁵ For He commands and raises the stormy wind,
Which lifts up the waves of the sea.
²⁶ They mount up to the heavens, they go down again to the depths;
Their soul melts because of trouble.
²⁷ They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man,
And are at their wits' end.
²⁸ Then they cry out to the LORD in their trouble,
And He brings them out of their distresses.
²⁹ He calms the storm, so that its waves are still.
³⁰ Then they are glad because they are quiet;
So He guides them to their desired haven.
³¹ Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the LORD *for* His goodness,
And *for* His wonderful works to the children of men!
³² Let them exalt Him also in the assembly of the people,
And praise Him in the company of the elders.
³³ He turns rivers into a wilderness, And the watersprings into dry ground;
³⁴ A fruitful land into barrenness, for the wickedness of those who dwell in it.
³⁵ He turns a wilderness into pools of water, and dry land into watersprings.
³⁶ There He makes the hungry dwell,
That they may establish a city for a dwelling place,
³⁷ And sow fields and plant vineyards, that they may yield a fruitful harvest.
³⁸ He also blesses them, and they multiply greatly;
And He does not let their cattle decrease.
³⁹ When they are diminished and brought low
Through oppression, affliction, and sorrow,
⁴⁰ He pours contempt on princes,
And causes them to wander in the wilderness *where there is* no way;
⁴¹ Yet He sets the poor on high, far from affliction,
And makes *their* families like a flock.
⁴² The righteous see *it* and rejoice, and all iniquity stops its mouth.
⁴³ Whoever *is* wise will observe these *things*,
And they will understand the lovingkindness of the LORD.