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WORSHIP REFLECTIONS

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please prepare your heart for worship
and silence your mobile devices.*

“No man is really good until he knows how bad he is or might be, until he has realized how little right he has to all this snobbery, this sneering and talking about criminals as if they were all apes in a forest ten thousand miles away. No man’s really good until he has got rid of all the dirty self deception... until he has squeezed out of his soul the last drop of the oil of the Pharisees, until his only hope is to capture only one criminal, the one under his own hat.” – G.K. Chesterton, *The Complete Father Brown Stories*

As we prepare for worship, let us reflect on and pray through the sonnet below by John Donne:

Batter my heart, three-person’d God; for You...
Take me to You, imprison me, for I
Except You enthrall me, never shall be free,
Nor ever chaste, except You ravish me.

DRAW NEAR TO WORSHIP – A LIFE-GIVING LORD

ORGAN PRELUDE: “Festive Alleluias” Dan Miller
Samuel Metzger, organ

BRASS AND ORGAN PRELUDE: “Festival Intrada” Richard Strauss

CHORAL PRAISE: “When the Saints Go Marching In” arr. John Rutter

Glory, glory hallelujah! The Lord goes marching on.

Oh when the saints go marching in, Oh, when the saints go marching in:
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in.

And when the revelation comes, and when the revelation comes:
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number, when the revelation comes.

Oh, when the new world is revealed, Oh, when the new world is revealed:
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number, when the new world is revealed.

Oh, when they gather round the throne, Oh, when they gather round the throne:
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number, when they gather round the throne.

Hallelujah, brothers, Hallelujah sisters! Hear the music going round and around,
While the saints go marching up into glory, Oh, hear those angel trumpets sound!

And when they crown Him King of Kings, and when they crown Him King of Kings:
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number, when they crown Him King of Kings.

And when the sun no more will shine, and when the sun no more will shine:
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number, when the sun no more will shine.

And when the moon has turned to blood, and when the moon has turned to blood:
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number, when the moon has turned to blood.

And on that hallelujah day, and on that hallelujah day:
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number, on that hallelujah day.

Oh when the saints go marching in, Oh, when the saints go marching in:
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in.

*The Westminster Singers (8:15), The Chancel Choir (11:00)
Marjorie Bowman, Soloist
Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music*

CALL TO WORSHIP Joshua D. Yates

◆HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 53 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” LOBE DEN HERREN
stanzas 1-3 & 5

✦PSALTER LESSON: Psalm 103:1-9 Ethan Knight (8:15)
Blanche Tosh (11:00)

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me,

bless his holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,

**who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,**

who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

**who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**

The Lord works righteousness
and justice for all who are oppressed.

**He made known his ways to Moses,
his acts to the people of Israel.**

The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger forever.**

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSELOBE DEN HERREN

**Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,
Decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.
How oft in grief hath not He brought thee relief,
Spreading His wings to o'ershade thee!**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

HUMBLY BOW TO CONFESS – A LIFE-GIVING LORD

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God our heavenly Father,
we stand in fresh need of Your mercy and grace.
For we have not loved You with our whole hearts.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
Forgive us for the ways that we have diminished others
by harboring malice, ill-will, and bitterness towards them.
Pardon us for our evil thoughts, covetous ways,
murderous looks, and hurtful words.
Cleanse and transform us that we become people
who do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with You.
For we pray in the name of the One who is the Lord of life,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

✦HYMN OF ASSURANCE: No. 660 "O God beyond All Praising" THAXTED

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS..... Dan G. Burns

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"arr. Dan Forrest

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm doth bind the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to Thee, Thou ever blessed Trinity.

O Savior, whose almighty word the winds and waves submissive heard,
Who walkedst on the foaming deep and calm amid its rage didst sleep:
O hear us when we cry to Thee, Thou ever blessed Trinity.

O sacred Spirit, who didst brood upon the chaos dark and rude,
Who badd'st its angry tumult cease, and gavest light and life and peace:
O hear us when we cry to Thee, Thou ever blessed Trinity.

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSEarr. Dan Forrest

**O Trinity of love and pow'r, our brethren shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them wheresoe'er they go;
And ever let there rise to Thee glad hymns of praise blest Trinity.**

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

ATTENTIVELY GATHER TO HEAR – A LIFE-GIVING LORD

✦ GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

A WORD ON WORLD REFUGEE SUNDAY

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND 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.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 20:13
(page 61 in pew Bible)

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;
**The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen.** *(Isaiah 40:6b, 8)*

SERMON *The Ten Commandments: No Murder* Richard G. Cain

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦ HYMN OF COMMITMENT: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" DIADEMATA

**Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne:
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as Thy matchless King through all eternity.**

**Crown Him the Lord of love; behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends His burning eye at mysteries so bright.**

**Crown Him the Lord of life who triumphed o'er the grave,
Who rose victorious to the strife for those He came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die.**

SENT FORTH TO SERVE – A LIFE-GIVING LORD

✦BENEDICTION

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE SPIRITUS VITAE



Teach us, Lord God, to love your pre - cepts, the good com -
mand - ments of your law. Give us the grace to keep your
stat - utes with thank - ful - ness and prop - er awe.

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata on “Amazing Grace” Christopher Pardini

✦Indicates congregation standing

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World Refugee Sunday

Today, churches around the world are focusing on and praying for refugees in acknowledgment of World Refugee Sunday. The UN reports that there are 65 million people forcibly displaced — 21 million are registered refugees, over 10 million of whom are children. Of the 21 million refugees, 4.9 million are from Syria, 2.7 million from Afghanistan, and 1.1 million from Somalia.

Refugees come from all classes of society and, while within this huge mass of dislocated people perpetrators of evil certainly hide, the overwhelming majority are simply people trying to survive. Our civil government, charged with national security, has already set in place thorough screening procedures for refugees, particularly from Syria. The Church’s primary responsibility in this situation is to provide hospitality to those who have had to flee from bombs, executions, and starvation. Many missionaries have noted that people from the hardest countries to access are now fleeing to historically Christian countries, and our partners in the Middle East are reporting Muslims turning to Christ in unprecedented numbers.

This morning, let us turn to God as intercessors for these refugees, asking Him to fulfill I Kings 8:41-43 in Memphis: “Likewise, when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a far country for your name’s sake (for they shall hear of your great name and your mighty hand, and of your outstretched arm), when he comes and prays toward this house, hear in heaven your dwelling place and do according to all for which the foreigner calls to you, in order that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and that they may know that this house that I have built is called by your name.”

Ways to pray:

- Pray for the successful delivery of resources needed to respond to the desperate physical needs of refugees.
- Ask God to forgive us for our complacency with respect to this great humanitarian crisis.
- Pray that God might use workers with World Relief and our other partners on the front lines to demonstrate His mercy and compassion so that in the midst of this suffering the Gospel message of hope will be shared and received by many refugees.
- Pray that the many disaffected with the majority religion of their countries might find hope and new life in Jesus.