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I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; 2 I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word. 3 On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased. 4 All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth, 5 and they shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord. 6 For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar. 7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life; you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand delivers me. 8 The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

# **Order of Divine Worship**

# Hymn: TLH #29 "Through All the Changing Scenes of Life"

- P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

P Pastor
C Congregation

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.
- **□** ✓ Who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
- **C** → And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.
- P Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge

of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**INTROIT** *Psalm* 119:145-149

- P Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.
- With my whole heart I cry; answer me, O Lord! I will keep your statutes.
- P I call to you; save me, that I may observe your testimonies.
- I rise before dawn and cry for help; I hope in your words.
- P My eyes are awake before the watches of the night, that I may meditate on your promise.
- Hear my voice according to your steadfast love; O Lord, according to your justice give me life.



Alleluia. I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. Alleluia.



- ☑ All glory be to God on high, Who hath our race befriended! To
  us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended.
  God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on earth
  again; O thank Him for His goodness!
- P O Lord, let Your merciful ears be attentive to the prayers of Your servants, and by Your Word and Spirit teach us how to pray that our petitions may be pleasing before You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING – Psalm 33** Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! For praise from the upright is beautiful. 2 Praise the Lord with the harp; Make melody to Him with an instrument of ten strings. 3 Sing to Him a new song; Play skillfully with a shout of joy. 4 For the word of the Lord is right, And all His work is done in truth. 5 He loves righteousness and justice; The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord. 6 By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, And all the host of them by the breath of His mouth. 7 He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap; He lays up the deep in storehouses. 8 Let all the earth fear the Lord; Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him. 9 For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast. 10 The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; He makes the plans of the peoples of no effect. 11 The counsel of the Lord stands forever, The plans of His heart to all generations. 12 Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, The people He has chosen as His own inheritance. 13 The Lord looks

from heaven; He sees all the sons of men. 14 From the place of His dwelling He looks On all the inhabitants of the earth; 15 He fashions their hearts individually; He considers all their works. 16 No king is saved by the multitude of an army; A mighty man is not delivered by great strength. 17 A horse is a [d]vain hope for safety; Neither shall it deliver any by its great strength. 18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, On those who hope in His mercy, 19 To deliver their soul from death, And to keep them alive in famine. 20 Our soul waits for the Lord; He is our help and our shield. 21 For our heart shall rejoice in Him, Because we have trusted in His holy name. 22 Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, Just as we hope in You.

GOSPEL READING – Luke 12:33-40 Sell what you have and give alms; provide yourselves money bags which do not grow old, a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches nor moth destroys. 34 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. 35 "Let your waist be girded and your lamps burning; 36 and you yourselves be like men who wait for their master, when he will return from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may open to him immediately. 37 Blessed are those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching. Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down to eat, and will come and serve them. 38 And if he should come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. 39 But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. 40 Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

#### **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

- I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
- I believe 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, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: TLH #263

"O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe"

SERMON – Luke 12:22-32 Jesus said to his disciples, "For that reason I tell you, stop worrying about your life, about what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. Certainly life is more than food, and the body is more than clothing. Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap; they have no warehouse or barn; and yet God feeds them. How much more valuable are you than birds! And who of you by worrying can add a single moment to his lifespan? Since you are not able to do this little thing, why do you worry about the rest? Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. But I tell you, not even Solomon in all his glory was dressed like one of these. If this is how God clothes the grass in the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the furnace, how much more will he clothe you, you of little faith? Do not constantly chase after what you will eat or what you will drink. Do not be worried about it. To be sure, the nations of the world chase after all of these things, but your Father knows that you need them. Instead, continue to seek the kingdom of God, and all these things will be added to you. Do not be afraid, little flock, because your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom. (EHV)

### DO NOT WORRY! DO NOT FEAR!

## **OFFERTORY**

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Hymn: TLH #518 v.1-4

"Jesus Sinners Doth Receive"

#### - OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS -

Followed immediately by the Offering Hymn printed below:

# OFFERING: TLH #442:2 "Lord of Glory, Who Hast Bought Us"

Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee- Gladly, freely, of Thine own; With the sunshine of Thy goodness Melt our thankless hearts of stone Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by Thee, at length believe That more happy and more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive.

**PRAYERS & the BENEDICTION** 

Numbers 6:24-26

- The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.
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  ☐ Amen, amen, a men.

# HYMN: TLH #42 "O Thou Love Unbounded"

# + Announcements +

Last Week: WH - 23 Total Offering = \$160.25

General = \$140.25 | Missions = \$20 |

- ₱ July 24 8am Orlando service 10:15am WH
- 廿 July 31 10:15am WH service
- ♣ Aug 7 9:15am Bible Class 10:15 Communion WH service
- ♣ Aug 7 Elders' Meeting
- ♣ Aug 7 Back to School Party and parent meeting
- ♣ Aug 10 First day of school

<u>VBS</u> Thank you for all the prayers and donations to help make VBS great. Thank you to all who helped out this past week as teachers and volunteers as well.

<u>Call</u> Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, fellow heirs of the inheritance of grace, May that grace of God abound even more richly among you. I thank God our Father for the riches of peace in Christ and comfort of sins forgiven which He

has given you and rejoice to hear of your dedication and faithfulness to our Savior and your work in His kingdom. Thank you for the advice and wisdom I have received from you these past weeks. I found your input to be valuable and appreciated it. My heart yearns to serve both you and also the congregation here at Resurrection. Truly the fields are white for harvest all over our country. After prayerful consideration of where I could best serve in the Lord's Church here on earth, I have been led to decline the call you extended to me. Though I have not accepted the call to serve you, please know that the Lord has worked good nonetheless. Through the call, God has reinvigorated me in my current ministry and I am certain that God will work good in your hearts as well as you continue to grow in your trust in God and in patience as you seek out God's plan for you and your congregation. I know that you are eager for the Lord to fill the vacancy you currently have and understand your sincere desire to continue the work of the Lord in the Winter Haven area and indeed all of Florida. I am also confident that until the Lord fills the pastoral vacancy which He is allowing in your congregation, that your faithful church presidium, elders, vacancy pastor, and indeed all of the members of Immanuel will work together in the Lord to carry out the work of the Kingdom of Christ in your midst. Please know that I and Resurrection are keeping your congregation in our prayers and pray that the Lord of the Church would fill your vacancy in His good timing. In the name of our Savior and King, Pastor Naumann

<u>Update</u> Please continue to pray for Ed Morris and his family. He has been transferred to Opis Lakeland Highlands Center. He has been more alert but

has pneumonia again. We pray the Lord continues to give Ed and Carol strength of faith and patience to make it through this time of testing.

**Thanks** Thanks to all who helped at the work day. Great job!

Cleaner (7/30): Bernthal | Acolyte (7/31): Maxwell Kuehne

## Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions; July 25 - July 30, '22

Mon Luke 11:1-4 When Jesus is asked by His disciples to teach them to pray, He points them to petitions He included in the Sermon on the Mount (Mt 6:9-13). This prayer first prays for God's name and rulership, for then all will be well. As for us, our hunger, sins, temptations and trials all need remedy, and God is the one who provides it.

**Tues** Luke 11:5-13 Jesus is teaching His disciples to pray and does not stop with examples of what to pray for, but also gives them good reason to pray. Even a friend who doesn't want to be bothered may get up to help at midnight, but our Father urges us to call upon Him in trouble and in praise. Even a father who makes many mistakes knows how to help his children, but our heavenly Father knows the best gifts, make no mistake.

Wed 1Timothy 2:1-7 The apostle urges to pray "for all people" (v1), even heathen rulers, because God wants "all people" (v4) to be saved. It is for the sake of those He will yet persuade to believe that He would have us live a quiet, peaceful, and godly life, that they may learn to know Jesus, who gave Himself as "a ransom for all" (v6), yes, even the Gentiles to whom Paul was sent.

**Thurs** Genesis 18:20-26 The LORD tells Abraham His plans for Sodom, which are righteous and fair. Abraham prays for the whole city — that Sodom might be spared — for the sake of the believers who might be there. The LORD listens to such a prayer.

**Fri Genesis 18:26-32** Abraham prays without ceasing, asking God to spare the city for the sake of 45 righteous, 40, 30, 20, and even 10. The LORD is not annoyed by such persistence in prayer. What's more, He also has His own plans to rescue less than 10, should the city be destroyed (19:12-13).

Sat Psalm 138 David's prayer is full of heartfelt praise to the God above all "gods" for His gracious loving-kindness and truth, which we have learned to know through Jesus Christ (Jn1:17). Even Kings will bow to Him if they will hear His Word, yet He pays attention to the lowly. David is confident that his prayers are heard and his rescue is assured, for the LORD's mercy endures forever (v8)!