

MORNING WORSHIP

November 19, 2023

Rev. Greg Lubbers

Prelude *Organist, Jan De Zwart*

Call to Worship *Psalm 100*

Prayer of Invocation

\*Song of Praise TPH#100B *“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”*

\*God’s Greeting

Reading of the Law *Exodus 20*

Song of Confession TPH#347 *“There Is a Green Hill Far Away”*

Assurance of Pardon *I Peter 1:17-21*

The Sacrament of Baptism Forms & Prayers, 13-15

\*Song of Adoration TPH#192 *“O God, Great Father, Lord and King!”*

Congregational Prayer

\*Song of Preparation TPH#127A *“Unless the Lord the House Shall Build”*

Scripture Reading: Page 1135 **Matthew 19:23-30**

Sermon Text **Matthew 19:13-15**

Sermon *“Jesus Receives Children into the Kingdom”*

Prayer of Application

\*Song of Dedication TPH#456:1, 2, 5 *“Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!”*

Offering *The offering is for Word & Deed*

\*Doxology TPH#117A *“Praise Jehovah, All Ye Nations”*

\*Benediction

\*Moment of Meditation

\*Postlude

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

Morning Sermon Outline

*Jesus Receives Children into the Kingdom*

Scripture Reading: *Matthew 19:23-30*, Page 1135

Sermon Text: *Matthew 19:13-15*

I. The Seeking after the Kingdom

A. By Perceptive Parents

B. With Little Children

II. The Correction concerning the Kingdom

A. The Need for the Correction

B. The Content of the Correction

III. The Reception into the Kingdom

A. A Gracious Reception

B. A Beneficial Reception

## TPH 100B - "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

1. All people that on earth do dwell,  
sing to the LORD with cheerful voice.  
Serve him with joy, his praises tell,  
come now before him and rejoice!
2. Know that the LORD is God indeed;  
he formed us all without our aid.  
We are the flock he surely feeds,  
the sheep who by his hand were made.
3. O enter then his gates with joy,  
within his courts his praise proclaim!  
Let thankful songs your tongues employ.  
O bless and magnify his name!
4. Because the LORD our God is good,  
his mercy is forever sure.  
His faithfulness at all times stood  
and shall from age to age endure.

## TPH 347 - "There Is a Green Hill Far Away"

1. There is a green hill far away,  
without a city wall,  
where the dear Lord was crucified,  
who died to save us all.
2. We may not know, we cannot tell,  
what pains he had to bear;  
but we believe it was for us  
he hung and suffered there.
3. He died that we might be forgiv'n,  
he died to make us good,  
that we might go at last to heav'n,  
saved by his precious blood.
4. There was no other good enough  
to pay the price of sin;  
he only could unlock the gate  
of heav'n, and let us in.
5. O dearly, dearly has he loved,  
and we must love him too,  
and trust in his redeeming blood,  
and try his works to do.

## TPH 192 - "O God, Great Father, Lord and King!"

1. O God, great Father, Lord and King!  
Our children unto thee we bring;  
and strong in faith and hope and love,  
we dare thy steadfast Word to prove.
2. Thy cov'nant kindness did of old  
our fathers and their seed enfold;  
that ancient promise standeth sure,  
and shall while heav'n and earth endure.
3. Look down upon us while we pray  
and visit us in grace today;  
these little ones thou didst receive,  
thy precious promise we believe.
4. They now the outward sign receive;  
wilt thou thy Holy Spirit give,  
and keep and help them by thy pow'r  
in ev'ry hard and trying hour.
5. Guide thou their feet in holy ways,  
shine on them thro' the darkest days;  
uphold them 'til their life be past  
and bring them all to heav'n at last.

## TPH 127A - "Unless the Lord the House Shall Build"

1. Unless the Lord the house shall build,  
the weary builders toil in vain;  
unless the Lord the city shield,  
the guards a useless watch maintain.
2. In vain you rise ere morning break,  
and late your nightly vigils keep,  
and of the bread of toil partake;  
God gives to his beloved sleep.
3. Lo, children are a great reward,  
a gift from God in very truth;  
with arrows is his quiver stored  
who joys in children of his youth.
4. And blest the man whose age is cheered  
by stalwart sons and daughters fair;  
no enemies by him are feared,  
no lack of love, no want of care.

TPH 456 - "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!"  
(Stz. 1, 2, 5)

1. Jesus! what a Friend for sinners!

Jesus! lover of my soul;  
friends may fail me, foes assail me,  
he, my Savior, makes me whole.

Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Hallelujah! what a Friend!  
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,  
he is with me to the end.

2. Jesus! what a strength in weakness!

Let me hide myself in him;  
tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,  
he, my strength, my vict'ry wins.

Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Hallelujah! what a Friend!  
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,  
he is with me to the end.

5. Jesus! I do now receive him,

more than all in him I find;  
he hath granted me forgiveness,  
I am his, and he is mine.

Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Hallelujah! what a Friend!  
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,  
he is with me to the end.

TPH 117A - "Praise Jehovah, All Ye Nations"

Praise Jehovah, all ye nations,

all ye people praise proclaim;  
for his grace and lovingkindness

O sing praises to his name.

For the greatness of his mercy

constant praise to him accord;

evermore his truth endureth;

hallelujah, praise the Lord!

EVENING WORSHIP  
November 19, 2023  
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Prelude Organist, Laura Rus

Song Service: TPH#543, 174, 103E Leader: Doug Van Gorp

Call to Worship Psalm 99:1-3

Prayer of Invocation

\*Song of Praise TPH#99A:1, 2, 4 “The LORD God Reigns on High”

\*God’s Greeting

\*Apostles’ Creed - TPH, inside front cover

\*Gloria Patri TPH#572 “Glory Be to the Father”  
(unannounced)

Congregational Prayer

\*Song of Preparation TPH#97B:1, 5-7 “The LORD Reigns,  
Let the Earth Be Glad!”

Scripture Reading: Page 687 Psalm 97

Sermon Text: Forms & Prayers, 250 Heidelberg Catechism,  
Lord’s Day 44

Sermon “A Proper Desire for God”

Prayer of Application

\*Song of Dedication TPH#217:1, 3, 5, 7 “My God, How Wonderful Thou Art”

Offering The offering is for the Christian Education Assistance Fund (C.E.A.F.)

\*Doxology TPH#212:4 “Come, Thou Almighty King”

\*Benediction

\*Moment of Meditation

\*Postlude

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Evening Sermon Outline

*A Proper Desire for God*

Scripture Reading: Psalm 97, Page 687

Sermon Text: Heidelberg Catechism, Lord’s Day 44, Forms & Prayers, 250

I. A Radical Desire to Obey God

A. In the Depth of My Soul

B. With the Knowledge of God’s Character

II. An Imperfect Desire to Obey God

A. An Experiential Confession

B. A Theological Explanation

III. A Humbling Desire to Obey God

A. Through the Preaching of the Law

B. To the Pursuit of a Grace

## TPH 543 - "Fight the Good Fight"

1. Fight the good fight with all thy might;  
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right:  
lay hold on life, and it shall be  
thy joy and crown eternally.
2. Run the straight race through God's good grace,  
lift up thine eyes, and seek his face;  
life with its way before us lies,  
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
3. Cast care aside; upon thy Guide  
lean, and his mercy will provide;  
lean, and the trusting soul shall prove,  
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.
4. Faint not, nor fear, his arms are near;  
he changeth not, and thou art dear;  
only believe, and thou shalt see  
that Christ is all in all to thee.

## TPH 174 - "The Ten Commandments"

1. My soul, recall with rev'rent wonder  
how God amid the fire and smoke  
proclaimed his holy law with thunder  
from Sinai's mountain when he spoke:
2. "I am the Lord, your God and Sovereign,  
who out of bondage set you free,  
who saved you from the land of Egypt.  
Then serve no other gods but me.
3. "You shall not bow to graven idols,  
for I, a jealous God, your Lord,  
shall punish sin in those who hate me,  
but love all those who keep my Word.
4. "The Lord is God; his name is holy.  
Do not his holiness profane.  
God surely will not hold them guiltless  
who take his holy name in vain.
5. "Remember, keep the Sabbath holy,  
the day God sanctified and blessed.  
Six days you shall do all your labor,  
but on the seventh you shall rest.
6. "Honor your father and your mother;  
obey the Lord our God's command,  
that you may dwell secure and prosper  
with length of days upon the land.
7. "You shall not hate or kill your neighbor.  
Do not commit adultery.  
You shall not steal from one another  
nor testify untruthfully.
8. "You shall not covet the possessions  
your neighbors value as their own;  
home, wife or husband, all their treasures  
you shall respect as theirs alone."
9. Teach us, Lord God, to love your pre-  
cepts,  
the good commandments of your law.  
Give us the grace to keep your statutes  
with thankfulness and proper awe.

## TPH 103E - "O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord"

1. O come, my soul, bless thou the Lord thy Maker,  
and all within me, bless his holy name;  
bless thou the Lord, forget not all his mercies,  
his pard'ning grace and saving love proclaim.  
Bless him, ye angels, wondrous in might,  
bless him, his servants, who in his will delight.

2. Good is the Lord and full of kind compassion,  
most slow to anger, plenteous in love;  
rich is his grace to all that humbly seek him,  
boundless and endless as the heav'ns above.  
Bless him, ye angels, wondrous in might,  
bless him, his servants, who in his will delight.

3. His love is like a father's to his children,  
tender and kind to all who fear his name;  
for well he knows our weakness and our frailty,  
he knows that we are dust, he knows our frame.  
Bless him, ye angels, wondrous in might,  
bless him, his servants, who in his will delight.

4. We fade and die like flow'rs that grow in beauty,  
like tender grass that soon will disappear;  
but evermore the love of God is changeless,  
still shown to those who look to him in fear.  
Bless him, ye angels, wondrous in might,  
bless him, his servants, who in his will delight.

5. High in the heav'ns his throne is fixed forever,  
his kingdom rules o'er all from pole to pole;  
bless ye the Lord through all his wide dominion,  
bless his most holy name, O thou my soul.  
Bless him, ye angels, wondrous in might,  
bless him, his servants, who in his will delight.

## TPH 99A - "The LORD God Reigns on High" (Stz. 1, 2, 4)

1. The LORD God reigns on high;  
let all the peoples quake!  
He sits enthroned on cherubim;  
let all earth shake!  
In Zion God is great;  
o'er all the world enthroned.  
O praise his great and awesome name,  
the Holy One!

2. The mighty King is just,  
ordaining equity;  
in Jacob you love justice,  
judging righteously.  
Exalt the LORD our God,  
and worship him alone.  
O come and at his footstool bow,  
the Holy One.

4. O LORD our sov'reign God,  
you answered their lament.  
O God you were forgiving, yet  
their wrongs avenged.  
Exalt the LORD our God;  
before his mountain come  
and worship God, for he is LORD,  
the Holy One.

**TPH 97B - “The LORD Reigns, Let the Earth Be Glad!”  
(Stz. 1, 5-7)**

1. The LORD reigns, let the earth be glad!  
    Let distant shores express delight!  
Thick clouds and darkness cover him;  
    his throne is built on truth and right.
  
5. Your judgments gladden Zion’s hills,  
    bring Judah’s daughters great delight.  
Above the earth and all the gods,  
    exalted is the LORD Most High.
  
6. Hate evil, you who love the LORD;  
    his faithful ones he will defend,  
and from the hands of wicked men  
    to them deliv’rance he will send.
  
7. Upon the righteous light will shine,  
    and joy for those of upright heart.  
You righteous in the LORD, rejoice,  
    and praise unto his name impart.

**TPH 217 - “My God, How Wonderful Thou Art”  
(Stz. 1, 3, 5, 7)**

1. My God, how wonderful thou art,  
    thy majesty how bright!  
How beautiful thy mercy seat,  
    in depths of burning light!
  
3. O how I fear thee, living God,  
    with deepest, tend’rest fears,  
and worship thee with trembling hope  
    and penitential tears!
  
5. No earthly father loves like thee,  
    no mother half so mild  
bears and forbears, as thou hast done  
    with me, thy sinful child.
  
7. Father of Jesus, Love divine,  
    what rapture it will be,  
prostrate before thy throne to lie,  
    and gaze and gaze on thee!

**TPH 212 - “Come, Thou Almighty King”  
(Stz. 4)**

4. To the great One in Three  
    eternal praises be,  
    hence evermore.  
His sov’reign majesty  
    may we in glory see,  
and to eternity  
    love and adore.