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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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"Open My Eyes That I Might See" 1st Verse

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Hymn #624

"I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art" Vs. 1, 3 & 5

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Unison: Holy One, we dare to call you Lord, but yield to you only fragments of our lives. You had nowhere to lay your head; we surround ourselves with comfort. We expect to serve you with what remains after we have indulged our desires. Forgive our lack of trust and our desire to pick the times and places we will respond to our call. In your abundant mercy teach us what it means to follow, especially in those times when you invite us to endure the discomfort of the anxiety of risk.

Time of Silence for Personal Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria

Prayer for Illumination

1st Scripture Reading Psalm 27

The LORD is my light and my salvation—
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life—
of whom shall I be afraid?

When the wicked advance against me
to devour me,

it is my enemies and my foes
who will stumble and fall.

Though an army besiege me,
my heart will not fear;

though war break out against me,
even then I will be confident.



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One thing I ask from the LORD,
this only do I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life,
to gaze on the beauty of the LORD
and to seek him in his temple.
For in the day of trouble
he will keep me safe in his dwelling;
he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent
and set me high upon a rock.
Then my head will be exalted
above the enemies who surround me;
at his sacred tent I will sacrifice with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make music to the LORD.
Hear my voice when I call, LORD;
be merciful to me and answer me.
My heart says of you, "Seek his face!"
Your face, LORD, I will seek.
Do not hide your face from me,
do not turn your servant away in anger;
you have been my helper.
Do not reject me or forsake me,
God my Savior.
Though my father and mother forsake me,
the LORD will receive me.
Teach me your way, LORD;
lead me in a straight path
because of my oppressors.
Do not turn me over to the desire of my foes,
for false witnesses rise up against me,
spouting malicious accusations.
I remain confident of this:
I will see the goodness of the LORD
in the land of the living.
Wait for the LORD;
be strong and take heart
and wait for the LORD.



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2nd Scripture Reading

Revelation 1:9-18

I, John, your brother and companion in the suffering and kingdom and patient endurance that are ours in Jesus, was on the island of Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. On the Lord's Day I was in the Spirit, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, which said: "Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea."

I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, and among the lampstands was someone like a son of man, dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. The hair on his head was white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, and coming out of his mouth was a sharp, double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance.

When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.

Sermon

"A Pastor's Unveiling"

Pastor Brant Piper

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Communion Hymn *"Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread"* Verses 1 & 2

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

The Words of Blessing for the Bread and the Cup

You are invited to partake of both elements, first the bread by removing the top layer of plastic, and then the cup by removing the next layer of foil.

Please dispose of each properly when you leave the service.

Prayer after Communion

Unison: Redeeming God, unite us in Christ and to all who join us at this table that we might be the body of Christ for the world. Unite us with all of your children from every tribe, people, language, and nation to reveal your justice in the world. Crown us with your holy wisdom that we may never lose sight of your reign of peace. All this we ask in the name of the one who offered himself up that we might know of your gift of salvation, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



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Call to Offering

Prayer of Dedication

Doxology

Hymn #299

You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim, Vs. 1, 3 & 4

Charge and Benediction

Postlude



THE WORD

Open My Eyes, That I May See 451

1 O-pen my eyes, that I may see glimps-es of truth thou hast for me.
~~O-pen my ears, that I may hear voic-es of truth thou send est clear.~~
~~O-pen my mouth, and let me hear glad-ly the warm truth ev-ery where.~~

Place in my hands the won-der-ful key that shall un-clasp and
~~And while the wave notes fall on my ear, ev-ery thing false will~~
~~O-pen my heart, and let me pre-pare love with thy chal-dre.~~

set me free. Si-lent-ly now I wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy
~~dis-ap-pear. Si-lent-ly now I wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy~~
~~thus to share. Si-lent-ly now I wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy~~

will to see. O-pen my eyes; il-lu-mine me, Spir-it di-vine!
~~will to see. O-pen my ears, il-lu-mine me, Spir-it di-vine!~~
~~will to see. O-pen my heart, il-lu-mine me, Spir-it di-vine!~~

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Verses 1, 3 & 5

ADORATION

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art 624

1 I greet thee, who my sure Re-deem-er art,
~~2 Thou art the King of mer-cy and of grace,~~
 3 Thou art the life, by which a-lone we live,
~~4 Thou hast the true and per-fect gen-tle-ness;~~
 5 Our hope is in no oth-er save in thee;

my on-ly trust and Sav-ior of my heart,
~~reign-ing on ni-po-ter in ev-ery place,~~
 and all our sub-stance and our strength re-ceive;
~~no harsh-ness hast thou and no bit-ter-ness.~~
 our faith is built up-on thy prom-ise free;

who pain didst un-der-go for my poor sake;
~~so come, O King, and our whole be-ing sway;~~
 sus-tain us by thy faith and by thy power,
~~grant to us the grace we find in thee;~~
 Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,

I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.
~~shine on us with the light of thy pure day.~~
 and give us strength in ev-ery try-ing hour.
~~that we may dwell in per-fect a-ni-mi-ty.~~
 that in thy strength we ev-er-more en-dure.

The original French text, sometimes attributed to John Calvin, seems to be a Protestant reworking of a Roman Catholic hymn, not a typical practice for him. Yet this text and tune (adapted from GENEVAN 124) clearly date from the early years of the Reformed tradition.

TEXT: *Psalms*, Strasbourg, 1545; trans. Elizabeth Lee Smith, 1868
 MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551

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Verses 1 & 2

Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread 500



1 Be known to us in break-ing bread, but do not then de - part;
2 Here share with us, in love di - vine, your bod - y and your blood,



Sav - ior, a - bide with us, and spread your ta - ble in our heart.
that liv - ing bread, that heaven - ly wine be our im - mor - tal food.



Not all communion texts refer to the Last Supper: this brief hymn is based on the meal at Emmaus shared by the Risen Christ and his two companions on the road (Luke 24:13–35). It is set to a 16th-century psalm tune that carries the text with appropriate simplicity.

Text: James Montgomery, 1825
Music: Day's Psalter, 1562



Verses 1, 3 & 4

THE CHURCH

299 You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

1 You ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim,
~~As - send - ed on high, al - mighty to save,~~
 3 "Sal - va - tion to God, who sits on the throne!"
 4 Then let us a - dore and give him his right:

and pub - lish a - broad Christ's won - der - ful name.
~~He still re - mains right, his pres - ence we have~~
 Let all cry a - loud and hon - or the Son.
 all glo - ry and power, all wis - dom and might,

The name all vic - to - rious of Je - sus ex - tol,
~~The great con - gre - ga - tion his tri - umph shall sing,~~
 The prais - es of Je - sus the an - gels pro - claim,
 all hon - or and bless - ing, with an - gels a - bove,

whose king - dom is glo - rious, who rules o - ver all.
~~as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus our King,~~
 fall down on their fac - es, and wor - ship the Lamb.
 and thanks nev - er ceas - ing, and in - fi - nite love!

This hymn resembles many 18th-century drawings that show parallels between worship on earth and worship in heaven, especially as described in Revelation 7:9-11. This 18th-century tune has had many names; the one used here honors the dynasty of British monarchs, 1714-1901.

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1744, alt.
 MUSIC: Anon.; *A Supplement to the New Version of the Psalms*, 1708

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