

MORNING WORSHIP

February 23, 2025 – 10:00 AM

Prelude

Greeting

APPROACHING GOD

(Lord, may your holy name be praised in all the earth!)

*Call to Worship *(In the bulletin)* **Psalm 67**

*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

*Opening Hymn **Trinity Psalter #67A**
O God, to Us Show Mercy

*Confession of Faith **The Heidelberg Catechism Q31, 32**

Q31: Why is he called “Christ,” meaning “anointed”?

Answer: *Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit, to be*

*our chief Prophet and teacher,
who perfectly reveals to us
the secret counsel and will of God for our deliverance;
our only High Priest,
who has set us free by the one sacrifice of his body,
and who continually pleads our cause with the Father;
and our eternal King,
who governs us by his Word and Spirit,
and who guards us and keeps us
in the freedom he has won for us.*

Q32: But why are you called a Christian?

Answer: *Because by faith I am a member of Christ and so I share in his anointing.*

*I am anointed to confess his name,
to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks,
to strive with a good conscience against sin and the devil
in this life
and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation for all
eternity.*

*Congregation Standing

CONFESSING OUR SINS TO GOD

(Lord, forgive us our sins according to your steadfast love.)

God’s Standard of Righteousness (p. 1244) **Ephesians 4:25-32**

Prayer of Confession

God’s Grace in Christ **Romans 8:1-4**

*Hymn of Thanksgiving **Trinity Psalter #400**
Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

(Lord, teach us your Word, that we may walk in your truth.)

Sermon Text (p. 1180) **Acts 19:1-20**

Sermon “A MINISTRY OF SPIRIT, WORD, AND POWER”

RESPONDING TO GOD

(Lord, we gladly give you our praise, our gifts, and our lives.)

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

*Hymn of Response **Trinity Psalter #395**
O Breath of Life, Come Sweeping through Us

Prayer of Intercession

COMMUNING WITH CHRIST

(Lord, form Christ in us so that we would reflect your glory.)

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

*Closing Hymn **Trinity Psalter #570**
Doxology

*Benediction

WE WELCOME ALL OUR VISITORS: *It is a joy to have you join us in fulfilling man’s highest calling, namely the worship of our holy God!*

Psalm 67

¹May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,

²that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.

**³Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!**

⁴Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

**⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!**

⁶The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, shall bless us.

**⁷God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!**