

# MORNING WORSHIP

September 8, 2024 – 10:00 AM

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Prelude

Greeting

## APPROACHING GOD

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

\*Call to Worship *(In the bulletin)* **Psalm 19**

\*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

\*Opening Hymn **Trinity Psalter #171**  
*O Word of God Incarnate*

\*Confession of Faith **Westminster Confession Ch. 1 (1, 4)**  
**Of the Holy Scripture**

*1. Although the light of nature, and the works of creation and providence do so far manifest the goodness, wisdom, and power of God, as to leave men unexcusable; yet are they not sufficient to give that knowledge of God, and of his will, which is necessary unto salvation. Therefore it pleased the Lord, at sundry times, and in divers manners, to reveal himself, and to declare that his will unto his church; and afterwards, for the better preserving and propagating of the truth, and for the more sure establishment and comfort of the church against the corruption of the flesh, and the malice of Satan and of the world, to commit the same wholly unto writing: which maketh the Holy Scripture to be most necessary; those former ways of God's revealing his will unto his people being now ceased.*

*4. The authority of the Holy Scripture, for which it ought to be believed, and obeyed, dependeth not upon the testimony of any man, or church; but wholly upon God (who is truth itself) the author thereof: and therefore it is to be received, because it is the Word of God.*

\*Congregation Standing

## CONFESSING OUR SINS TO GOD

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

God's Standard of Righteousness *(p. 1072)* **Mark 7:14-23**

Prayer of Confession

God's Grace in Christ **Micah 7:18-20**

\*Hymn of Thanksgiving **Trinity Psalter #172**  
*Speak, O Lord*

## HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

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

Scripture Reading *(p. 1067)* **Mark 4:1-34**

Sermon Text *(p. 1172)* **Acts 13:4-12**

**Sermon** "HOW THE CHURCH GROWS"

## 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 #365**  
*Thine Be the Glory*

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 19

## SERMON NOTES

<sup>1</sup>The heavens declare the glory of God,  
and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

<sup>2</sup>Day to day pours out speech,  
and night to night reveals knowledge.

<sup>3</sup>There is no speech, nor are there words,  
whose voice is not heard.

<sup>4</sup>Their voice goes out through all the earth,  
and their words to the end of the world.

In them he has set a tent for the sun,  
<sup>5</sup>which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,  
and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.

<sup>6</sup>Its rising is from the end of the heavens,  
and its circuit to the end of them,  
and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

**<sup>7</sup>The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;  
the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple;**

**<sup>8</sup>the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;  
the commandment of the Lord is pure,  
enlightening the eyes;**

**<sup>9</sup>the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever;  
the rules of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.**

**<sup>10</sup>More to be desired are they than gold,  
even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey  
and drippings of the honeycomb.**

**<sup>11</sup>Moreover, by them is your servant warned;  
in keeping them there is great reward.**

<sup>12</sup>Who can discern his errors?

Declare me innocent from hidden faults.

<sup>13</sup>Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins;  
let them not have dominion over me!

Then I shall be blameless,  
and innocent of great transgression.

**<sup>14</sup>Let the words of my mouth and the meditation  
of my heart be acceptable in your sight,  
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.**