

EVENING WORSHIP

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The Call to Worship

The Psalm *In You, Lord, I Refuge Take (Psalm 31)*

In you, Lord, I refuge take; let me not be put to shame. Turn your ear and quickly make safety for my trembling frame. You're a rock and fortress strong; I am lost and cannot see. For your name's sake, lead me on; in your hands, my soul redeem.

My eyes weak with sorrow grow, and my body fills with grief. All my years pass with a groan; my strength fails, my bones are weak. Those who see me turn to flee; my friends' eyes are filled with dread. Like a potter's broken dream: in their gaze, a shade of death.

But I trust you are my God; all my days are in your hands. Let your face upon me shine; make me in your love to stand. Great the steadfast love you've stored for the poor, who refuge seek. In your presence, gracious Lord, in your dwelling they find peace.

When I cried in my alarm, "I am cut off from your sight!" Praise the Lord, whose saving arm was my rescue and my light. Love the Lord, all you his saints! You, who in him refuge take. Though in darkness you may wait, all who hope in God are saved!

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The Invocation

The Confession of Faith **The Heidelberg Catechism #65-68**

Leader: It is by faith alone that we share in Christ and all his benefits: where then does that faith come from?

Leader and People: The Holy Spirit works it in our hearts by the preaching of the holy gospel, and confirms it by the use of the holy sacraments.

Leader: What are sacraments?

Leader and People: Sacraments are visible, holy signs and seals. They were instituted by God so that by our use of them he might make us understand more clearly the promise of the gospel, and seal that promise. And this is God's gospel promise: he grants us forgiveness of sins and eternal life by grace because of Christ's one sacrifice accomplished on the cross.

Leader: Are both the word and the sacraments then intended to focus our faith on the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross as the only ground of our salvation?

Leader and People: Yes indeed! The Holy Spirit teaches us in the gospel and confirms by the holy sacraments that our entire salvation rests on Christ's one sacrifice for us on the cross.

Leader: How many sacraments did Christ institute in the New Testament?"

Leader and People: Two: holy baptism and the holy supper.

The Scripture Reading

Exodus 30:1-16

The Hymn Sing

The children are dismissed to their choirs.

The Evening Prayer

The Sermon

Mr. Christian Brewer

Psalm 31

All Things More Ours by Being His

The Hymn No. 684

My Times Are in Thy Hand

The Benediction