

THE LORD'S DAY

May 26, 2024 at 8:30 AM & 10:15 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Organ Prelude David Schmidt
Piano Wendy Baldwin

Hymn 210 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Hymn 211 Let There Be Praise

Prayer

Scripture Reading – Psalm 3 (opposite page)

Announcements

Hymn 733 Once to Every Man and Nation

Pastoral Prayer

Message Are You Interested in the Gospel?

Revelation 16:17-21 Rev. Calvin VanderMey

Hymn 732 The Battle Belongs to the Lord

Benediction

Postlude

WESTMINSTER CATECHISM

Q. 107. What doth the conclusion of the Lord's Prayer teach us?

A. The conclusion of the Lord's Prayer, which is, *For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.* teaches us to take our encouragement in prayer from God only, and in our prayers to praise Him, ascribing kingdom, power, and glory to Him; and, in testimony of our desire, and assurance to be heard, we say, *Amen.*

Dan. 9:4, 7-9, 16-19; Luke 18:1, 7-8, 1 Chron. 29:10-13; 1 Tim. 1:17; Rev. 5:11-13, 1 Cor. 14:16; Rev. 22:20

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Wednesday 10 AM – Men's Bible Fellowship

Wednesday 6:30 PM – Prayer and Bible Study

Thursday 8:15 AM – Precept Bible Study

Thursday 6:30-7:45 PM – Choir Rehearsal

Please take a carnation from the back as you leave and place it at the grave of a veteran sometime over the Memorial Day weekend.

Psalm 3 The LORD Helps His Troubled People

A Psalm of David when he fled from Absalom his son.

¹LORD, how they have increased who trouble me!

Many *are* they who rise up against me.

²Many *are* they who say of me,

“*There is no help for him in God.*” *Selah*

³But You, O LORD, *are* a shield for me,

My glory and the One who lifts up my head.

⁴I cried to the LORD with my voice,

And He heard me from His holy hill. *Selah*

⁵I lay down and slept;

I awoke, for the LORD sustained me.

⁶I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people

Who have set *themselves* against me all around.

⁷Arise, O LORD;

Save me, O my God!

For You have struck all my enemies on the cheekbone;

You have broken the teeth of the ungodly.

⁸Salvation *belongs* to the LORD.

Your blessing *is* upon Your people. *Selah*

LOOKING AHEAD

June 15 – Ladies' Ice Cream Social 12:30 PM

June 18 – Youth Group 5:30-7 PM

June 29 – Men's Breakfast 9-10 AM

MISSIONARY CORNER

Each week we focus on Missionaries and Organizations we support as a local church.

The Voice of the Martyrs (VOM) is a missionary organization that serves persecuted Christians in the world's most difficult and dangerous places to be a Christian. Richard and Sabina Wurmbbrand founded VOM after being imprisoned for their Christian witness in Communist Romania. For more than 50 years, VOM has been dedicated to inspiring all believers to a Biblical faith by encouraging their commitment to Christ and the fulfillment of His Great Commission no matter the cost. One of their stated goals is to promote the fellowship of all believers by informing the world of the faith and courage of persecuted Christians, thereby inspiring believers to a deeper level of commitment to Christ and involvement in His Great Commission.

A DAY IN MAY

I stood today amidst the graves and heard the bugles sound,
In honor of the heroes lying there in hallowed ground.
And as I looked at those who came to pay respect and pray,
I couldn't help but wonder – Is there any other way?
For man – God's best creation – to live somehow in peace.
To love thy neighbor, as thyself – maybe wars would cease.
The world might live in harmony – make the enemy, a friend.
Our differences we'd learn to share – and never to offend.
That's the thought that crossed my mind when a Gold Star Mother cried
If only we could find a way, to lay the guns aside?

And then I seemed to hear a voice resounding through the years, it said:

I'm honored that you came – I'm grateful for your tears,
I'm so peaceful now – the battles all are won.
My medals heavy on my chest – my days of duty done.
But I asked for every victory – why this price to pay?
Why so many young and brave – must now beside me lay?
And so I too am made aware of why today you're here.
Your remembrance – a reminder of this land we hold so dear.
I'm sure I've found the answer – now so plain you see,
A man can accomplish anything – if that man is free!

Yes, I am an American soldier.
Don't ever say I died in vain.
For if I were alive, and my country called,
I'd do it all over again!

Doroty Bitner
US Army, Sgt. Ret.