

## **January 29, 2017**



#### **Christus Victor**

The traditional monograms **IC** and **XC** are ancient Latin abbreviations for **Jesus** (*IHCOYC*, a Latinized form of his Greek name) and **Christ** (*XRICTOC*). **NIKA** means Victor or Conqueror. Jesus Christ was born to conquer sin, death, and the Devil. The cross in the center of the world reminds us that Jesus has conquered by means of his suffering, death, and resurrection. Jesus now reigns *because* he died for us.

## Lord's Day Service – January 29, 2017

## **Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship**

**Silent Preparation for Worship** 

Call to Worship Revelation 7:9-12

\* **Hymn of Praise** Trinity Hymnal, **#5** 

Mighty God, While Angels Bless Thee (verses 1-4)

## Salutation & Responsive Scripture

Pastor: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you! Ruth 2:4

Pastor: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

People: And all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Pastor: He redeems your life from the pit,

People: And crowns you with steadfast love and mercy. Ps 103:1, 4

#### Purification - We Confess Our Sins to God

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Most merciful God, I confess to you that I am by nature sinful and unclean, and that I am miserably helpless before my adversaries. I have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; not only in outward transgressions, but also in secret thoughts and desires that I am not able to understand, but which are all known to you. For this reason, I flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your forgiveness and deliverance, through my Lord Jesus Christ.

(Silence for self-examination and personal confession of sin) Amen!

Now lift up your heads, arise, and hear the good news! Brothers and sisters, your sins are forgiven and your lives are rescued in our Lord Jesus Christ. Believe this and rejoice!!

Thanks be to God! Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. AMEN!

\* Hymn of Response

Trinity Hymnal, #5

Mighty God, While Angels Bless Thee (verses 5-6)

## Ascension - God Consecrates Us by His Word

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

People: It is proper and right to do so!

Pastor: Truly it is right and our greatest joy to give thanks to you at all times and in every place, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting King. Therefore, we praise you by joining our voices with angels and archangels and all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your Name...

\* Hymn of Preparation

Trinity Hymnal, **#262**God. in the Gospel of His Son

Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 6:10-21

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

**New Testament Lesson** 

Acts 15:22-35

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

\* Gospel Lesson

Matthew 11:25-30

Pastor: The Gospel of Lord Jesus.

People: Praise to you, O Christ!

\* Prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!

Sermon

"The Decrees of the Holy Spirit & the Jerusalem Church"

#### Tribute - We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

\* Hymn of Consecration

Trinity Hymnal, #449

The Law of God Is Good and Wise

\* Presentation & Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

Prayers of the Church

Requests & Lord's Prayer

Peace - We Commune with God

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper 1

1 Corinthians 10:1-17

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God

**Creed** (inside hymnal cover)

\* Hymn of Thanksgiving

Trinity Hymnal, **#702**Wonderful Grace of Jesus

#### **Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us**

\* The Lord's Commission of Us

2 Corinthians 13:11

\* We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us

2 Corinthians 13:14

\* We Bless the Lord, Lifting Our Hands and Voices to Him

Gloria Patri

\* Announcements

#### LORD'S SUPPER

We observe Communion, or the Lord's Supper, weekly in our midst.

We believe it is worthily received by those who:

- 1. Have been baptized in the name of the Triune God (Matt 28:18-20);
- Do profess faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel (Ro 10:9-10):
- Do live in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit and endeavor to live as becomes the followers
  of Jesus Christ (Gal 5:16-26); and
- 4. Are communing members in good standing in an evangelical church (1 Cor 10:1-6)

If these things are all true, we rejoice with you and invite you to commune with us at the Lord's Supper. If any of these are not true of you, we ask that you refrain. We invite you to speak to one of the Elders if you have doubts or questions regarding any of these beliefs, or if you are interested in learning more about Trinity.

Though collections are not ordinarily taken during a service, giving is a vital element of worship. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the basket at the rear of the church. (2 Corinthians 9:6-11)

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#### Sermon Notes – January 29, 2017

# "The Decrees of the Holy Spirit & the Jerusalem Church" Text: Acts 15:22-35

1.	It seemed good to the apostles, elders & whole ecclesia (22). It is not presumptuous for us to credit God, if we are endeavoring to in with the brethren (23-27; Ep 4:3-6,
	14-16).
2.	It seemed good to the Holy Spirit and us (28). It is not presumptuous to credit the Holy Spirit in us, if our actions result in less burden on believers & more, consolation, edification and for the brethren (29-33; Ga 5:22-26).
3.	It seemed good to Silas to remainPaul & Barnabas also remained (34-35). It is not presumptuous for us to credit Christ with us if we are abiding with His, in His, teaching & gladly announcing Him (1 Cor 2).

#### **Announcements**

#### **Sunday School**

Sunday School will meet in the sanctuary at 11:30 AM this morning. We will have a lesson on family worship.

#### **Westminster Shorter Catechism**

This week's focus is WSC 2, "What rule has God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him? A Family Worship Guide will be supplied each week in the bulletin for the catechism question of the week (a two-year cycle). The habit of morning & evening family worship is a biblical idea. Deut 6:4-9 emphasizes how wholly we are to love the LORD our God, and that we should diligently teach/learn His words and talk of them in our homes "...when you lie down, and when you rise up." Copies of the WSC are available for free.

#### **Scripture Memory for this Week**

2 Tim 3:16, All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness...

#### **Consistory/Session Meeting**

A stated Consistory/Session meeting will be held on Tuesday, Feb 7. Contact one of the elders if you have something you wish to bring before session.

#### **WIC Activities**

The women will meet for Bible study on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Read chapter 3 of the study book "Idol Lies" and complete the study questions.

#### **Set-up Teams**

#### Next Week

	February 5	<u>l eam 4</u>	J Pennington,* Eternick, K Hummel, Jens, Kelling, Sosnoski	
Following Weeks				
	February 12	Team 5	Reich*, D'Alessio, Leskinen, Piquette, Ruchti, Talavera	
	February 19	Team 1	Dykema*, Burie, N Greenwald, Hammer	
	February 26	Team 2	Greenwald, D*, Dietzel, B Dykema, N Pennington, Peterson	
	March 5	Team 3	J Hummel,* D Dykema, Nader, S Pennington, Seaman	