THE LORD'S DAY EVENING

October 14, 2012 Six O'clock

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Most Holy God, may the close of an earthly Sabbath remind me that the last of them will one day end. Animate me with joy that in heaven praise will never cease, that adoration will continue forever, that no flesh will grow weary, no congregations disperse, no affections flag, no thoughts wander, no will droop, but all will be adoring love. Guard my mind from making ordinances my stay or trust, from hewing out broken cisterns, from resting on outward helps. Wing me through earthly forms to thy immediate presence; may my feeble prayers show me the emptiness and vanity of my sins; deepen in me the conviction that my most fervent prayers, and most lowly confessions, need to be repented of. May my best services bring me nearer to the cross, and prompt me to cry, "None but Jesus!" By thy Spirit give abiding life to the lessons of this day: may the seed sown take deep root and yield a full harvest. Let all who see me take knowledge that I have been with thee, that thou hast taught me my need as a sinner, hast revealed a finished salvation to me, hast enriched me with all spiritual blessings, hast chosen me to show forth Jesus to others, hast helped me to dispel the mists of unbelief. O great creator, mighty protector, gracious preserver, thou dost load me with lovingkindnesses, and hast made me thy purchased possession, and redeemed me from all guilt; I praise and bless thee for my Sabbath rest, my calm conscience, my peace of heart. (from The Valley of Vision)

| Call to Worship | Psalm 103 |
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| Invocation | |
| Hymn 310 Rejoice, the | Lord is King |
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Corporate Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, rich in mercy to all those who call upon You; hear us as we come to You humbly confessing our sins and transgressions, and imploring Your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken Your holy laws by our deeds and words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before You our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness; and all our failures and shortcomings toward

You and our fellow men. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; and of Your great goodness grant that we may hereafter serve and please You in newness of life; through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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| Assurance of Pardon | |
| Though him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been give to us. | |
| Grace Moment Chip and Rachel Wall | |
| Response of the People | |
| But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: | |
| "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; | |
| and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; | |
| when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. | |
| For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. | |
| Hymn 94 | |
| Prayer of Illumination | |
| Scripture Reading | |
| Sermon | |
| Hymn | |

Benediction

BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea.
A great high Priest whose Name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heaven He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end of all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died My sinful soul is counted free. For God the just is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, My perfect spotless righteousness, The great unchangeable I AM, King of glory and of grace, One in Himself I cannot die. My soul is purchased by His blood, My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ my Savior and my God!



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