

## THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** - "Lord, Speak to Us, that We may Speak" tune Canonbury; setting by Pearce.

**HYMN 605** - we sing, standing

### INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### OPENING DIALOG

This is the day which the Lord has made; **we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

From the rising of the sun to its setting, **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

Better is one day in Your courts **than a thousand elsewhere.**

Make me to know Your ways, O Lord. **Teach me Your paths.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. **O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*(please be seated)*

### FIRST LESSON (bulletin back page)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

**PSALM 54** - Men speak the odd verses and women speak the even.

### SECOND LESSON (bulletin back page)

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page 173 - **ALLELUIA VERSE** - we sing, standing

### GOSPEL (bulletin back page) -

*Before, all sing: Glory to You, O Lord!*  
*After, all sing: Praise to You, O Christ!*

**HYMN 851** - we sing, seated

### SERMON

**APOSTLES' CREED** - hymnal, back cover all standing

**OFFERTORY - HYMN 979** - see insert; we sing, seated

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*all may kneel*  
Response: **Hear our prayer!**

### LORD'S PRAYER

### COLLECT

### BENEDICTION

**HYMN 842** - we sing, standing

**POSTLUDE** - "Praise and Glory to our Savior" by Corelli.



## NEWS AND NOTES

**Altar Flowers** this morning are from the Clarks.

**Please Join Us** after the service for fellowship and coffee. Thank you to Daly's for serving this morning.

### Last Sunday Here

Attending: 102      Offering: \$3,890

### This Week Here

Wed - 1:30 PM      - Bible Study  
                         - 7:00 PM      - Bell Choir  
                         - 7:45 PM      - Parish Choir

**Hayride and apple picking!** Please join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship! Next Sunday, September 29th, at 1:00 PM at Blue Hills Orchards in Wallingford. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board; sign up today!!

Join us on Saturday, October 5th, 6 PM for a **Potluck dinner** followed by a very short lesson in creating some delicious sourdough bread. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board

**Portals of Prayer** (daily home devotional booklets for adults) for October to December are available on the Narthex table. We have regular & large-print editions. Help yourself to a copy and feel free to take one for a friend!

### Sunday School today...

Widespread sin and corruption filled the earth, but "Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD" (Genesis 6:8). In today's lesson, "A New Beginning" students will learn how, following God's command, Noah and his family begin constructing a massive ark, with provisions for an extended journey. At the Lord's direction, each animal kind boards the ark, along with Noah and his family. The fountains of the deep open and rain falls for forty days, swallowing up every living thing. Through the flood, God keeps Noah's family safe and lands them on a mountain. Discuss the sign of the promise God gives us: the rainbow.



## A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

**Our Father Cares for His Children with the Gospel of His Son** The sinful heart is filled with "bitter jealousy and selfish ambition" (James 3:14), which causes hostility, quarrels and conflicts, even among those who are fellow members of the Body of Christ. This should not be so! Rather, God "opposes the proud" with His Law, in order to humble them unto repentance; He "gives grace to the humble," in order to exalt them by His Gospel of forgiveness (James 4:6-10). This true "wisdom from above" is found in the gentleness, mercy and peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who humbled Himself and sacrificed Himself for the salvation of sinners (James 3:17). He was "like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter," committing Himself to God, His Father, "who judges righteously, who tests the heart and the mind" (Jer. 11:19-20). Therefore, "after three days," His Father exalted Him by raising Him from the dead (Mark 9:31). In Holy Baptism, He takes disciples of all ages into His arms like little children. In receiving Him through repentance and faith in His forgiveness of sins, they receive from His Father a share in the glory of His cross and resurrection (Mark 9:36-37).