

THE LORD'S DAY

March 8, 2015

WORSHIP SERVICE

Enter with reverence, Worship in truth, Serve Christ with gladness.

PRELUDE

The Love of God

†CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Psalm 98:1, 4

ADORATION

†Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Hymn **63**

ST. DENIO

†CONGREGATIONAL READING

Psalm 93

The congregation will read text in italics.

*The LORD reigns, He is clothed with majesty;
The LORD is clothed,
He has girded Himself with strength.*

Surely the world is established, so that it cannot be moved.

²*Your throne is established from of old;
You are from everlasting.*

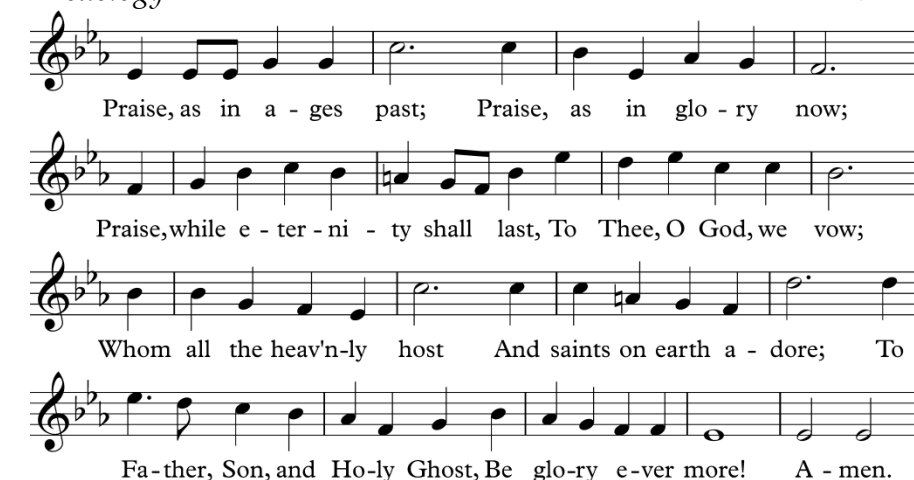
³The floods have lifted up, O LORD,
The floods have lifted up their voice;
The floods lift up their waves.

⁴*The LORD on high is mightier
Than the noise of many waters,
Than the mighty waves of the sea.*

⁵Your testimonies are very sure;
Holiness adorns Your house,
O LORD, forever.

†Doxology

DIADEMATA



Praise, as in a - ges past; Praise, as in glo - ry now;
Praise, while e - ter - ni - ty shall last, To Thee, O God, we vow;
Whom all the heav'n-ly host And saints on earth a - dore; To
Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost, Be glo-ry e-ver more! A - men.

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Only Trust Him

Hymn **328**

STOCKTON

THANKSGIVING

†It is Well With My Soul

Bethany Strings

PETITION

†Prayer of Intercession

Offering

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 21:1-36

OH, SING TO THE LORD

A NEW SONG!

For He has done marvelous things;
His right hand and His holy arm
have gained Him the victory. . . .

⁴Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the
earth;

Break forth in song, rejoice, and sing
praises.

Psalm 98:1, 4



JESUS CHALLENGES HIS WITNESSES—Luke 9:18–26, 57–62
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*Sunday School, 9:45; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00,
Sunday Evening Prayer Meeting, 6:00.
Fellowship Dinner 3rd Sunday of the month & no evening service.
Wednesday Evenings: Awana, Adult Bible Study, Teen Bible Study
Please note weekly announcements for any changes to this schedule.*

To Our Guests: We welcome you to Bethany Bible Church! We trust you will sense our desire to exalt the Lord in our worship, as well as our commitment to the sufficiency of the Scriptures. You and your entire family are invited to worship with us. A nursery is provided for ages 0-3 if you would like, and you may also hear the service in the foyer or fellowship room if you need to attend to small children. We would like to have a record of your visit. You should receive a *guest card* which you may give to Pastor Stiekes personally or hand to one of our ushers. We trust that God will richly bless you as we endeavor to magnify the Lord on His day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY --AWANA @ 6:45; Adult Bible Study @ 7:00;
Teen Discipleship Study at the St. Jacques home @ 7:00pm

Next Sunday: Fellowship dinner after worship service

	Mar 1	Budget	YTD	YTD Budget
General Fund	\$3,697	\$3,725	\$29,298	\$33,525
Missions			\$2,072	
Deacons Fund	\$208		\$1,844	
Building Fund	\$50		\$844	\$45,512

KIDS4TRUTH Q&A AND MEMORY VERSE FOR NEXT WEEK
Q. What are the first four of the Ten Commandments in order as they are given in Exodus 20:3-8?
A. 1. You shall have no other gods before me.
2. You shall not make for yourself a carved image [to worship].
3. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. (702)

†The Love of God

Hymn **130**
LOVE OF GOD

THE SERMON
Jesus Challenges His Witnesses
Luke 9:18-26, 57-62

In our study of Jesus' mission in Luke-Acts, we have seen Jesus prepare his witnesses (Luke 8) and commission his witnesses (Luke 9 and 10). But now Jesus *challenges* his witnesses by showing them the full meaning of what *coming after him* is all about. For being Jesus' witness is not only about knowing Jesus' power and blessing. Being his witness is also about a profound commitment. Jesus' words in these two texts answer three questions that all his witnesses must ask:

Last Lord's Day:

1. What does it cost to be Jesus' witnesses? (9:23)
 - a. Self-denial
 - b. Cross-carrying
 - c. Christ-following

Today:

2. What does the cost look like in practical terms? (9:57–62)
 - a. Sacrificing worldly welcome.
 - b. Sacrificing necessary duties.

- c. Sacrificing family relationships.

3. What if I am unwilling to pay the price? (9:24–26)

†Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated

Hymn **400**
HENDON

† PRAYER & BENEDICTION

† Congregation will stand (if able)



Evening Prayer Service, 6:00

