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An Associate Reformed Family Serving God, Lancaster, and the World

Evening Worship

April 27, 2025

6:00pm

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jonathan Williams

Call to Worship

Psalm 111:1-2

¹Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. ²Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

Invocation

*Hymn

Red Trinity Hymnal #347

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

*1 Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord and precious,
binding all the church in one;
holy Zion's help forever
and her confidence alone.*

*2 All that dedicated city,
dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring
in glad hymns eternally.*

*3 To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of hosts today:
with thy wonted loving-kindness*

*hear thy people as they pray;
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls always.*

*4 Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
what they ask of thee to gain,
what they gain from thee forever
with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in thy glory
evermore with thee to reign.*

*5 Laud and honor to the Father,
laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit,
ever Three and ever One,
One in might, and One in glory,
while unending ages run.*

***Westminster Shorter Catechism**

Question 67: Which is the sixth commandment?

Answer: The sixth commandment is, Thou shalt not kill.

Question 68: What is required in the sixth commandment?

Answer: The sixth commandment requireth all lawful endeavors to preserve our own life, and the life of others.

Pastoral Prayer

***Hymn**

Red Trinity Hymnal #642

“Be Thou My Vision”

<i>1 Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art - thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.</i>	<i>4 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.</i>
<i>2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Father, I thy true son; thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.</i>	<i>5 High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.</i>
<i>3 Be thou my battle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my dignity, thou my delight, thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r; raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.</i>	

***Evening Prayer**

***Sermon Text**

Red Trinity Hymnal #846

The Nicene Creed

Sermon

“One Church”

***Hymn**

“Victory In Jesus”

*1 I heard an old, old story,
how a Savior came from glory
How He gave His life on Calvary
to save a wretch like me
I heard about His groaning,
of His precious blood's atoning
Then I repented of my sins
and won the victory*

*Chorus
Oh victory in Jesus,
my Savior forever
He sought me and He bought
me with His redeeming blood
He loved me 'ere I knew Him
and all my love is due Him
He plunged me to victory
beneath the cleansing flood*

*2 I heard about His healing,
of His cleansing power revealing
How He made the lame to walk again
and He caused the blind to see
And then I cried, Dear Jesus,
come and heal my broken spirit
And somehow Jesus came and brought
to me the victory (Chorus)*

*3 I heard about a mansion He has built for me
in glory
And I heard about the street of gold
beyond the crystal sea
About the angels singing
and the old redemption story
And some sweet day I'll sing up there
the song of victory (Chorus)*

***Free Offer of the Gospel**

***Benediction**

Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

***Fellowship with the Saints**

Join us in the Fellowship Hall as we gather for fellowship and discussion. Youth in grades 6-12 will meet in room #12 on the Red Hallway.

SERMON NOTES

The Nicene Creed “One Church”

1. One United Church

2. A Holy Church

3. A Catholic and Apostolic Church