

* **Call to Worship:** *Psalm 84:1-2, 4*
How lovely is your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!
My soul longs, yes, faints
for the courts of the LORD;
My heart and flesh sing for joy
to the living God.
Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise!

* **Opening Prayer**

* ***Crown Him with Many Crowns*** #345:1,3,4 (HFG)
Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee;
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of life:
Who triumphed o’er the grave,
Who rose victorious to the strife
for those He came to save;
His glories now we sing,
Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring,
And lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of heaven:
One with the Father known,
One with the Spirit through Him given
From yonder glorious throne.
To Thee be endless praise,
For Thou for us hast died;
Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days
Adored and magnified.

* ***How Lovely Is Your Dwelling*** #243:1,3 (PH)
How lovely is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts, to me;
My soul is longing, fainting, the courts of God to see.
The beauty of your dwelling will bring me joy anew.
My heart and flesh are crying, O living God, for you.

Blest they who love and serve you,
Whose joy and strength you are.
Forever they will praise you,
Your ways are in their heart.
Though tried, their tears like showers
Shall fill the springs of peace;
And all the way to Zion
Their strength shall still increase.

* ***Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*** #318:1,3 (HFG)
Come, thou fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount, I’m fixed upon it,
Mount of Thy redeeming love.

O, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I’m constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here’s my heart, O take and seal it;
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Profession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 127

What does the sixth request mean?
"And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one" means,
By ourselves we are too weak
to hold our own even for a moment.
And our sworn enemies—
the devil, the world, and our own flesh—
never stop attacking us.
And so, Lord, uphold us and make us strong
with the strength of your Holy Spirit,
so that we may not go down
to defeat in this spiritual struggle,
but may firmly resist our enemies
until we finally win the complete victory.

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Evening Prayer

* ***I Will Sing of My Redeemer*** #228:1,3 (HFG)
I will sing of my Redeemer
And His wondrous love to me;
On the cruel cross He suffered
From the curse to set me free.

Refrain: Sing, O sing of my Redeemer,
With His blood He purchased me.
On the cross He sealed my pardon,
Paid the debt and made me free.

I will praise my dear Redeemer;
His triumphant power I’ll tell,
How the victory He giveth
Over sin and death and hell. *Refrain*

* **Scripture:** *II Peter 2:1-3 (ESV)* pg. 1277
¹ But false prophets also arose among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Master who bought them, bringing upon themselves swift destruction. ² And many will follow their sensuality, and because of them the way of truth will be blasphemed. ³ And in their greed they will exploit you with false words. Their condemnation from long ago is not idle, and their destruction is not asleep.

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

Message: *What Falling Away Looks Like*

* ***Christ Shall Have Dominion*** #541:1,2(PH)
Christ shall have dominion over land and sea;
Earth’s remotest regions shall his empire be.
They that wild inhabit shall their worship bring;
Kings shall bring their tribute, nations serve our King.

When the needy seek him, he will mercy show;
All the weak and helpless shall his pity know.
He will surely save them from oppression’s might,
For their lives are precious in his holy sight.

* **God’s Blessing**

* **Christ Shall Have Dominion**

#541:4 (PH)

Unto God Almighty joyful Zion sings;
He alone is glorious, doing wondrous things.
Evermore, O people, bless his glorious name,
His eternal glory through the earth proclaim.

What Falling Away Looks Like
II Peter 2:1-3

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