## **Call to Worship**

"We are God's people. How good it is that we have all come – women and men, young and old – to worship God who creates us; how good it is that we are gathered to meet Jesus Christ – God's living word; how good it is that we seek together signs of the Holy Spirit, whom we cannot catch or subdue.

Come, let us worship God. "

(Lets read) Psalm 138:1-2

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise;

I bow down toward your holy temple
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness,
for you have exalted above all things
your name and your word.

### **Invocation**

"We lift up our eyes to the hills, from where does our help comes? Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth"

## **God's Greeting**

(Pagbati sa Iglesya mula sa) Galatians 1:3-5

3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, 4 who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, 5 to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## **Opening Prayer**

"Gracious God, our heavenly Father, you call us together to be your holy people, and so we join to give you praise for the joy of our creation; for our redemption in Christ; for the empowerment of your Spirit. Gracious God, fill our hearts with your love and our lives with your glory as we come before you in worship and prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Song of Praise "With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring" (Psalm 138) #286:1-4

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Scripture Reading: Genesis 37

37 Jacob lived in the land of his father's sojournings, in the land of Canaan.

2 These are the generations of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years old, was pasturing the flock with his brothers. He was a boy with the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives. And Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. 3 Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his sons, because he was the son of his old age. And he made

him a robe of many colors.[a] 4 But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him and could not speak peacefully to him.

5 Now Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers they hated him even more. 6 He said to them, "Hear this dream that I have dreamed: 7 Behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and behold, my sheaf arose and stood upright. And behold, your sheaves gathered around it and bowed down to my sheaf." 8 His brothers said to him, "Are you indeed to reign over us? Or are you indeed to rule over us?" So they hated him even more for his dreams and for his words.

9 Then he dreamed another dream and told it to his brothers and said, "Behold, I have dreamed another dream. Behold, the sun, the moon, and eleven stars were bowing down to me." 10 But when he told it to his father and to his brothers, his father rebuked him and said to him, "What is this dream that you have dreamed? Shall I and your mother and your brothers indeed come to bow ourselves to the ground before you?" 11 And his brothers were jealous of him, but his father kept the saying in mind.

## Joseph Sold by His Brothers

12 Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. 13 And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." And he said to him, "Here I am." 14 So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock, and bring me word." So he sent him from the Valley of Hebron, and he came to Shechem. 15 And a man found him wandering in the fields. And the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" 16 "I am seeking my brothers," he said. "Tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." 17 And the man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers and found them at Dothan.

18 They saw him from afar, and before he came near to them they conspired against him to kill him. 19 They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. 20 Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits.[b] Then we will say that a fierce animal has devoured him, and we will see what will become of his dreams." 21 But when Reuben heard it, he rescued him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." 22 And Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but do not lay a hand on him"—that he might rescue him out of their hand to restore him to his father. 23 So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the robe of many colors that he wore. 24 And they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

25 Then they sat down to eat. And looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels bearing gum, balm, and myrrh, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. 26 Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? 27 Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers listened to him. 28 Then Midianite traders passed by. And they drew Joseph up and lifted him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty shekels[c] of silver. They took Joseph to Egypt. 29 When Reuben returned to the pit and saw that Joseph was not in the pit, he tore his clothes 30 and returned to his brothers and said, "The boy is gone, and I, where shall I go?" 31 Then they took Joseph's robe and slaughtered a goat and dipped the robe in the blood. 32 And they sent the robe of many colors and brought it to their father and said, "This we have found; please identify whether it is your son's robe or not." 33 And he identified it and said, "It is my son's robe. A fierce animal has devoured him. Joseph is

without doubt torn to pieces." 34 Then Jacob tore his garments and put sackcloth on his loins and mourned for his son many days. 35 All his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him, but he refused to be comforted and said, "No, I shall go down to Sheol to my son, mourning." Thus his father wept for him. 36 Meanwhile the Midianites had sold him in Egypt to Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the captain of the guard. —May the Lord Bless us through the reading of His Word--

Let us sing the Song of Preparation

"I Love To Tell The Story" #412: 1,3,4

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Rev. Steve Swets on Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 10

Mga Kapatid, mayron isang kilalang tao sa kasaysayan ng America ang nagpamalas ng kaniyang hindi matatawarang paniniwala sa Providence. Nuong sumiklab ang Civil war sa America taung 1861, Isang batang Heneral na si Thomas Jackson ang tumayong matatag sa gitna ng pag-atake ng kalaban. Sa digmaang ito , sya at ang kanyang hukbo ay hindi sumuko. Kasama ng kanilang pananatiling matatag, ay ang mga back —up na hukbo na unti-unting nagdatingan na naging dahilan naman ng kanilang pagkapanalo sa kabanan. Ang Heneral na ito ay mas kilala ngayon sa tawag na "Stonewall Jackson". Si Stonewall Jackson ay isang Southern Presbyterian at isang "Calvinist". Sya ay naniniwalang hindi sya mamamatay nuong panahon na iyon , malibang ito ay inordina ng Diyos na mangyari, at kung "oras na nya" walang kahit anumang tao o bagay na makaka hadlang dito.

Sa labanan ng Chancellorville, Si Heneral Jackson ay nabaril ng isang myembro na kanilang hukbo, sa pag-aakalang sya ay isang kalaban. Nabaril sya ng dalawang beses sa braso at isa sa kamay. Ang sugatang braso ay naputol subalit nagawa ng kanyang grupo na sya ay iligtas. Sa kanyang pagkaratay dinapuan sya ng sakit na Pneumonia. Sa panahong iyon na malapit na syang mamatay , muling namalas sa kanya ang kanyang maigting na determinasyon sa "Providence ng Diyos". Habang sya ay nakaratay, kanyang sinabi na " Aking kinikilala na ang mga sugat na ito ay pagpapala"... He consider those wounds a blessing. At nuong sinabihan na sya ng kanyang asawa na hindi na sya magtatagal , sumagot sya ng may kahinahunan at sinabi " very good, very good...It is all right".

What makes a man die in such a way? Ngayong hapon po ating i-memeditate ang "The providence of God". At nawa ating makita na ang Diyos ang nangangasiwa sa mundong ito sa pamamagitan ng kanyang "Probidensya".

Ang ating sermon points ay:

- I. What is Providence? (Ano ang "Providence")
- II. Truths which flow from Providence (Mga katotohanang taglay muna sa "Providence")
- III. The wonderful comfort of providence (Kaaliwang dulot ng "Providence)

## Before we hear the sermon this afternoon, let us first go to God in prayer

Heavenly Father, open the mouth of thy servant, and fill it with thy wisdom and knowledge, that I may boldly proclaim Thy word in all its purity. Prepare our hearts to receive it, to understand it, and to preserve it. Inscribe Thy law, as thou hast promised, upon the tablet of our heart, and give us the desire and the strength to walk in the ways of thy precepts, to the praise of Thy name and to the edification of the Church. All this, gracious Father, we implore in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord-Amen

## I. What is providence?

Hinikayat po tayo na ating sauladuhin at isa puso ang QA 27-28 ng Lord Day 10. . It is extremely personal and comforting and applies to all times and places sa ating mga buhay. Our God is a God of providence. Simula po siguro ng tayo ay makadalo sa isang "reformed church" ay naging pamilyar na tayo sa salitang "Providence" at maaring naituro na din sa atin ito sa isa sa mga Sunday School or sa Inquirers class. Muli po nating babalikan ang pag-aaral, Anu ba ang "Providence" Basahin po muli natin ang Q27 ng HC

Question: What Do you Understand by the providence of God?

Answer:

God's providence is his almighty and ever present power, <sup>1</sup> whereby, as with his hand, he still upholds heaven and earth and all creatures, <sup>2</sup> and so governs them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and barren years, food and drink, health and sickness, riches and poverty, <sup>3</sup>indeed, all things, come to us not by chance <sup>4</sup> but by his fatherly hand. <sup>5</sup>

Ang theological na kahulugan ng "providence" ay mayroong tatlong bahagi, God **preserving**, **governing**, and **directing** (cooperation). At ang sagot po sa ating catechism na ating binasa ay madaling maintindihan hindi po ba?

Ilang mga bagay po ang makikita natin sa Answer 27 ng Cathecism. **First**, is the "almighty and everpresent power of God." This is the introductory formula to the three parts of providence. **God is the all-powerful**. Kapag pinag-uusapan po ang Omnipotence ng Diyos, ibig sabihin po nito ay Sya bilang "Creator" taglay nya ang kapangyarihan upang pangunahan ang lahat ng bagay. Walang katulad ang Diyos. Gaya ng sinabi sa book of Micah 7:18 "who is a God like you?"..wala pong makakatulad ang Diyos. Ang Psalm 139 ay nagpapakilala ng Kapangyarihan ng Diyos sa malalaki at sa maliliit na bagay. He is the potter and we and every other thing is the clay. It is shaped and molded by the potter, who is Almighty Jehovah. Since God is all power and present everywhere, **he is able to uphold all things**.

He upholds it, as with his hand. Walang bagay ang nakakawala sa kanyang pangangasiwa. Maging ang daigdig na ito ay hindi kailanman iikot mula kanyang sarili , Nasa kamay at pagtataguyod ng makapangyarihang Diyos ang lahat ng bagay. Sya ay lubhang mataas kaysa sa atin upang kanyang pangasiwaan ang lahat ng bagay.. Maging ang ating buhay at kinabukasan ay pawang nasa kanyang pagtataguyod.

God also rules all things and he directs all things. He is the king over creation. Ating palagiang inaawit.. "This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet. This is my father's world; why should my heart be sad? The Lord is king, let the heavens ring! God reign, let the earth be glad." That is the providence of God. He rules and directs all things.

Habang tinitignan natin ang mga events & circumstances na binabanggit sa Answer 27, mapapansin natin na sa kadalasan anduon ito sa conteksto ng dalawang extremes, Ipinakikita sa atin ang dalawang

pangyayari o kaganapan. "Good and Bad", "Rain and Drought", "Fruitful and barren years", "Food and drink", "health and sickness", "prosperity & poverty"... And even a time of peace and a time of war, A beautiful sunny day and an earthquake which is followed by a tsunami.. Mga kapatid lahat ng ito ay naranasan at patuloy na nangyayari sa ating buhay, but the encouragement po sa atin ay; sa kabila nito, ang Diyos ang patuloy na nagtataguyod at namamalaha sa lahat ng bagay at pangyayari.

Marahil iyun po ang itinamin ng Diyos sa puso ni Stonewall Jackson, hindi kailangang mabalisa. Let me read po excerpts from Matthew 6 before we go to our second sermon point, it says there;

**English Standard Version** 

#### Do Not Be Anxious

25 "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? 26 Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? 27 And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?[a] 28 And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, 29 yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 30 But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? 31 Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' 32 For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. 33 But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. 34 "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

Lord's Day 9 teaches us that God is the creator, Lord's Day 10 teaches us that God is the God of providence. Providence does not only mean that God will provide. The word actually **means for God to see ahead (<del>Dutch: voorzienigheid).</del>** Providence is the almighty power of God whereby he upholds all things, rules all things, and directs all that come happen in this universe. All are under the providence of God.

Sa ikalawang sermon point po ating tignan ang mga Katotohanang taglay muna sa "Providence"

# II. Truths which flow from providence (Pagkukumpara din po ito sa current Worldview na ating natututunan)

The first truth which flows from the fact that God is a God of providence, is that there is no such thing as chance or luck. Sa huling pangungusap sa Answer 27 ang sabi po, "all things, in fact, come to us, not by chance but from his fatherly hand." Naririnig natin parati ang mga katagang "Ang Swerte mo naman" or "maraming Chance na ikaw ay manalo" or kapag nakapag-asawa ng simpatiko, mabait, maganda at gwapo ang maririnig natin ay "ang swerte naman nya". Brothers & sisters, There is nothing that happens that is lucky. Hindi po tsamba-tsamba lang ang buhay, kung mag toss coin man po tayo ng dalawang pung beses at lahat po yun ay lumabas na "heads", hindi po iyun "swerte" or "tsamba" Why? Because God has so directed the flipping of that coin.

Have you ever had one of those days where everything seems to go wrong. You sleep in, you get a flat tire on the way to work, you lose your wallet, etc. Were you just unlucky that day? No. There is no such thing as luck or chance. **R.C. Sproul said, "If chance exists, the God doesn't exist."** 

The second truth, is that **there is no such thing as mother nature**. There is God. If mother nature exists, God does not exist. Kapag naiisip natin ang tungkol sa pananalasa ng lindol sa Japan sinasabi ng mga tao na "Ipinamalas ng Inang kalikasan ang kanyang galit" Hindi po, There are no such things as independent forces of nature. God directs all things that come to pass.

Pansinin din po natin ang ating text sa Genesis 37. Si Joseph na kasama ang kanyang mga selosong kapatid na pinagplanunan syang patayin , itapon sa balon at ipagbili sa mga Ishmaelites. Some may think that Joseph is in the wrong place at the wrong time. Wala po sa maling lugar at maling pagkakataun si Joseph. God ordained this to take place as it did. Makikita po natin sa mga susunod na exhortation kung papaano ginamit ng Diyos ang mga ganung pangyayari para sa kaluwalhatian ng kanyang pangalan at para sa proteksyon ng kanyang bayan. Kahit pa hindi naging mabuti ang panahong iyun para kay Joseph.

If there is no such thing as "Chance or Luck" and "Mother nature", ang Ikatatlong katotohanan po ay, There is no such thing as "Karma". Ang Karma ay konseptong pangrelihiyon ng mga Indian (Hindu) na sinasabi na ang mga ginawa ay may kaukulang kahihinatnan depende sa kabutihan o kasamaan ng ginawa. This is the fundamental belief of Hindus, Buddhists, Sikhs. Karmic effects of all deeds are viewed as actively shaping past, present, and future experiences.

You may have seen the bumper sticker; "my karma ran over your dogma". (sa Pilipinas po ata mas uso yung "Karma is Real" na slogan) but in anyway, This is a mockery of those who believe in divine providence. Ang kahulugan ng salitang "Dogma" ay official church teaching. Hindi po natin kailangang isipin na kung may mangyari po sa atin, mabuti man o masama, ito ay direktang resulta ng mabuti o masamang bagay na ating ginawa. This is why the wicked can prosper in this world. This is also why the righteous can be persecuted, put to death, live in poverty, etc. These things happen on account of the providence of God.

Pwede naman pong mangyari na ang mga decision at aksyon na ating ginawa ay magkaroon ng hindi magandang resulta sa ating buhay. Subalit maging ang mga ito po ay napapa-sailalim sa "Providence" ng ating Diyos. Gaya ng nabanggit ko po kanina, Anu po ang nangyari sa mga kapatid ni Joseph kaya sila napadpad sa Egypt. Ang kanilang nagawang kasalanan ay maaring nag-resulta hindi magandang bagay sa kanilang buhay, subalit hindi po masasabi na "Karma" iyun sa kanila , bagkus dapat maging maingat tayo na hindi natin itumbas ang kasalanan at ang mga nangyayaring hindi maganda sa atin . We must be careful not to equate frowning providences with sin.

Pang-Apat na katotohan taglay mula sa "Providence of God" is somewhat straightforward , there is no need for us to fear the future. Lagi po nating idalangin na ipagkatiwala sa Diyos ang ating buhay at kinabukasan, ang ating pamilya, ang ating bansa , maging ang ating church. We need not worry. We do not have to be apathetic o mag-walang bahala, but we need not worry. Tomorrow and the next day are in the Lord's hands.

God will still show his almighty and ever present power to **uphold**, **rule** and **direct** all things. Nothing will occur outside of his hand and leading.

Believing in the providence of God does not make us fatalists, (Ang kalagayang pangkaisipan na tinatanggap na lamang na ang lahat ng bagay o pangyayari ay nakatakda na at wala magagawa dito)
Bagkus ang paniniwala natin sa Providence of God ay mas malawak, ito ay nagbibigay sa atin ng totoong pagkakatiwala sa Diyos na lahat ng maaring mangyari sa atin ay nasa pagiingat ng kanyang kamay. Mula sa simpleng pagbagsak ng tuyong dahon sa puno hanggang sa pagyanig ng lupa dahil sa lindol, Ang paghahari ng Diyos ay nasa ibabaw ng mga ito..At iyun po ang ating kaaliwan.

Matapos po ang ating mahabang pag-aaral sa kahulugan at katotohanan sa Providence ng Diyos, Atin pong tingnan minsan pa anu naman ang kapakinabangang naidudulot nito sa atin.

### III. The wonderful comfort of providence

QA 28 of the catechism is one of the **most pastoral and comforting**. It is loved by the people of God because we can see ourselves so clearly in it. Read it.

28. Q. What does it benefit us to know that God has created all things and still upholds them by his providence?

A. We can be patient in adversity, <sup>1</sup>
thankful in prosperity, <sup>2</sup>
and with a view to the future
we can have a firm confidence
in our faithful God and Father
that no creature shall separate us
from his love; <sup>3</sup>
for all creatures are so completely in his hand
that without his will
they cannot so much as move. <sup>4</sup>

May tatlong tugon po tayong makikita sa lesson na ito sa Q 28

- 1. Situation na kapag ang mga bagay ay nangyayari na hindi favourable sa atin.
- 2. Situation na kapag ang mga bagay ay nangyayari na mabuti para sa atin.
- 3. At ang situation ng ating pagtingin sa ating kinabukasan.

(There are essentially three responses to three situations: a situation where things go against us, a time when things go well, and our outlook on the future.)

We need not think too hard to find times when things go against us. Just Look at the bulletin from week to week. Hear the congregational prayer. We suffer loss, sickness, and estrangement. Most of our prayer requests are prayers of need. Pansinin din po natin yung isa sa scripture reference sa Q 28 ay mula sa Job 1:21-22. Totoo po, ang mga bagay na nangyari kay Job ay hindi magaganda at hindi ayon sa kanya, kahit ang kanyang asawa ay sumalungat sa kanya sa pangyayaring ito, Anu po ba ng dapat nyang ginawa? Wala pong iba kung hindi ang sa sya ay naging mapagpakumbaba at nagpahayag (ayon sa huling pangungusap sa verse 21) "the Lord gives and the Lord takes away, blessed be the name of the Lord."

The scripture is full of examples of faithful saints who endured dark nights of the soul only to wake up the next day to see the sunshine. If the next day arrived and still, no sunshine, they could be resolved in the providence of God. Trial and tribulation are the **very blessings in disguise** God brings us to teach us how to be patient.

We can be thankful when things go well. How wonderful and joyous it is, in the midst of wonderful days to close our eyes and thank God for His goodness. There are things in this life that make us look up and say with conviction, "Thank you, Lord." Kung ito man ay sa araw ng pag-iisang dibdib, o sa pagsilang ng ating mga anak, or maging sa kanilang pagtatapos sa pag-aaral at pagharap sa bagong yugto ng kanilang buhay, o maging sa mga kapatid na nakakusap natin ,sa nagpapayo sa atin , o maging sa sermon na ating narinig, We say "thank you Lord".

Hinayaan ng Diyos ang kanyang lingkod na si Joseph na maging alipin at masadlak sa gulo sa bahay ni Potiphar, matapos nito kanya din namang pinagunahan si Joseph sa daan upang maging isang pinuno sa Ehipto. Isang ding madilim na yugto ng buhay ni Joseph na sya ay tangkaing patayin ng kanyang mga kapatid, at dumating ang panahon , ang mga ito ang syang luluhod sa kanyang harapan. Tunay po na ang daan ng Diyos at ang kanyang kalooban ay kahanga-hanga.

At para naman sa hinaharap.. we can have good confidence in our Faithful God and Father that nothing will separate us from his love. Our lives are completely contained within providence of God. As what Stonewall Jackson said in his death bed, "very good, very good, it is alright." Bakit masasabi ito ng isang tao sa kanyang huling hininga? Because nothing could separate him from the love of God. Our lives are not our own, but belong to Jesus Christ. (as Lords Day 1 said) Pinag-kaisa tayo kay Kristo sa pananampalataya. Ang mga mapapait na pangyayari sa ating buhay, kung tayo ay may ganap na pagkakatiwala sa Diyos, hindi ito makakapagpabagsak sa atin. Hindi dahil may taglay tayong kalakasan kung hindi ito ay dahil sa kalakasan ni Kristo.

Brothers & Sisters, pardon me for mentioning a bit of my own takeaway in this sermon. Akin lamang pong naa-alala ang aking asawa nuong sya ay naratay sa sakit, Ilang mga mahal sa buhay noon ang nagsasabi sa kanya na "laban lang, laban lang" (alam nyo na po kung anu ibig sabihin nuon.) But she literally responded the contrary.. **Give up! Give up our self-trust and trust in God.** Mga kapatid, When we do so, when we trust in God, we are as a steady ship traveling through unknown and rough waters. **The comfort is,** *is that Jesus Christ is our captain*. The future trials, the times of difficulty, the unknown future is going to be okay. How do we know? **Its Because of the providence of God.** "All creatures are so completely in his hand that without his will ,they can neither move nor be moved."

Congregation of ZCRC Imus, That is the providence of God. Then what is the benefit? The benefit is that "We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing will separate us from his love." May it be our prayer that we can live all the days of our life, with a firm conviction in the providence of God. Amen. Let us Pray

Father we thank you for the message and your word that we heard this afternoon, patuloy mo kaming turuan na maging payapa at matiisin kapag kami ay dumadanas ng sakit at kahirapan , at kmi ay patuloy na magpasalamat sa lahat ng inyong ginawa sa amin, Dahil ang lahat ng bagay whether it be good or bad, ito po ay nasa ilalim ng inyong kapamahalaan, pagpapasya at kapangyarihan, Upang ang lahat ng ito ay magkalakip-lakip para sa ikabubuti naming nagsisisampalataya , at upang ikaw ay maluwalhati. Sa ngalan ng inyong bugtong na anak , ang aming Panginoong Jesu-Kristo- AMEN

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Let us all stand and sing the Song of Consecration "Safely Through Another Week" #320:1-4

Doxology "Gloria Patri" (Unannounced)

## Benediction

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen. (Ephesians 3: 20-21)