

**Family Worship Guide**  
**New Life Presbyterian Church**  
**April 5, 2020**

*Call to Worship*

Psalm 29:1-4

(all read together)

**Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness. The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters. The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.** (ESV)

*Opening Hymn*

“O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

(sing or read together)

O, for a thousand tongues to sing, My great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of His grace.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease,  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the power of cancelled sin, He sets the prisoners free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood availed for me.

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, Your loosened tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Savior come; And leap, ye lame, for joy.

My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim,  
To spread thro' all the earth abroad, The honors of Thy name.

(head of household prays)

Almighty God, unto Whom all hearts are open, all desires know, and from Whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your Holy Name, through Christ the Lord. Amen.

(all recite together)

Q53: Which is the third commandment?

**A: You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.**

Q54: What is required in the third commandment?

**A: The third commandment requires the holy and reverent use of God's names, titles, attributes, ordinances, word and works.**

Q55: What is forbidden in the third commandment?

**A: The third commandment forbids all profaning or abusing of anything whereby God makes Himself known.**

*The Lord's Prayer*

(all pray together)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

*Open Prayer Time*

Adapted from Philip Doddridge's prayer  
(head of household reads)

At this time I invite your prayer requests and thanksgivings.

(allow some time for praying out loud, then read this or pray in your own words to close the time of prayer)

Almighty God, Visit each of Your children and family, O Lord, with Your mercy. Animate us to walk in Your truth and bless our neighbors. Fill and expand our hearts more and more with true generosity. May we act toward strangers, and especially fellow believers, in a way that is worthy of You, whenever they need our assistance. And especially let our love abound to those who have a desire to spread the gospel.

Send forth, O Lord, the gentle influences of Your Spirit. Melt those hearts which will not be broken by the weightiest of stroke of Your justice, and deliver us from temptations. In the Name of our Redeemer, Jesus we pray. Amen.

*Confession of Sin*

Daniel 9:4-6, 9-10

(all read together)

**“O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules. We have not listened to your servants the prophets, who spoke in your name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land. To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against Him and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God by walking in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets.”** (ESV)

*Meditation*

(Here we pause in silence to meditate upon our sin and need for forgiveness.)

*Assurance of Pardon*

Romans 10:10-13

(head of household reads)

“For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on Him. For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” (ESV)

*Hymn of Grace*

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”  
(sing or read together)

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds, In a believer’s ear!  
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds, And drives away his fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole, And calms the troubled breast;  
'Tis manna to the hungry soul, And to the weary, rest.

Dear Name! the rock on which I build, My shield and hiding place;  
My never-failing treasure filled, With boundless stores of grace!

Jesus, my Shepherd, Brother, Friend, My Prophet, Priest, and King;  
My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, Accept the praise I bring.

Till then I would Thy love proclaim, With every fleeting breath;  
And may the music of Thy name, Refresh my soul in death.

*Scripture Reading*

Exodus 20:7

<sup>7</sup> “You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.” (ESV)

*Additional Scripture Reading*

Exodus 20:18, 28

<sup>18</sup> “You shall not permit a sorceress to live.” (ESV)

<sup>28</sup> “You shall not revile God, nor curse a ruler of your people.” (ESV)

*Sermon*

“The Third Commandment: Respecting the Name”

(Note: now play the CD/DVD of Pastor Jared’s sermon or follow the link below)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIHXL9a70hprumUJOMnSmXw>

Church Website: [www.newlifehopewell.com](http://www.newlifehopewell.com)

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*Closing Hymn*

“All Hail the Power of Jesus Name”

(sing or read together)

All hail the pow’r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all;  
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall,  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all;  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!

Let ev’ry kindred, ev’ry tribe, On this terrestrial ball,  
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all;  
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all!

O, that with yonder sacred throng, We at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all;  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all!

*An Ending Gospel Promise*

Matthew 28:18-20

(head of household reads)

And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” (ESV)

# Table Talk

(These are questions to talk about over the dinner table, or for your own devotions, based on the text and sermon this week)

- 1) What is the commandment talking about in regards to the “name” of God? Why should we respect God's Name?
- 2) What are some ways we misuse God's name? What are some examples of disrespecting God's name in how we use it?
- 3) How can we “pray in God's Name” but not use His name in vain in prayer?
- 4) How can we claim God's Name?
- 5) How is Christ the ultimate fulfillment of the Third Commandment? What does Jesus' name mean and communicate to us about God?
- 6) How might you seek to reverence God's Name this week?
- 7) See also, the Further Study in the Larger Catechism on the last page

Prayer: Take some time to pray together, and if you are looking for topics, use the included Prayer Guide from the Newsletter and Last Week’s Guide.

## **Further Study: Third Commandment**

The ministers who wrote the Westminster Confession of Faith (that we use as our statement for what we think the Bible teaches) also wrote a Catechism for instruction. On the Commandments they were very detailed. Here, in two questions about what the Third Commandment requires and forbids they went throughout Scripture and attempted to classify other places that commanded various things and categorize them by the 10 Commandments. These are the ones they gathered for the Third Commandment. Read through them and ask: What does this mean (especially if in old English)? What does the Scripture text mean that it cites? How does this help me understand the Third Commandment better? And What might I need to change in my thinking in light of this?

### **Q112: What is required in the third commandment?**

A112: The third commandment requires, That the name of God, his titles, attributes,[1] ordinances,[2] the word,[3] sacraments,[4] prayer,[5] oaths,[6] vows,[7] lots,[8] his works,[9] and whatsoever else there is whereby he makes himself known, be holily and reverently used in thought,[10] meditation,[11] word,[12] and writing;[13] by an holy profession,[14] and Answerable conversation,[15] to the glory of God,[16] and the good of ourselves,[17] and others.[18]

1. [Matt. 6:9](#); [Deut. 28:58](#); [Psa. 29:2](#); [68:4](#); [Rev. 15:3-4](#) 2. [Mal. 1:14](#); [Eccl. 5:1](#) 3. [Psa. 138:2](#) 4. [I Cor. 11:24-25](#), [28-29](#) 5. [I Tim. 2:8](#) 6. [Jer. 4:2](#) 7. [Eccl. 5:2](#), [4-6](#) 8. [Acts 1:24](#), [26](#) 9. [Job 36:24](#) 10. [Mal. 3:16](#) 11. [Psa. 8:1](#), [3-4](#), [9](#) 12. [Col. 3:17](#); [Psa. 105:2](#), [5](#) 13. [Psa. 102:18](#) 14. [I Peter 3:15](#); [Micah 4:5](#) 15. [Phil. 1:27](#) 16. [I Cor. 10:31](#) 17. [Jer. 32:39](#) 18. [I Peter 2:12](#)

### **Q113: What are the sins forbidden in the third commandment?**

A113: The sins forbidden in the third commandment are, the not using of God's name as is required;[1] and the abuse of it in an ignorant,[2] vain,[3] irreverent, profane,[4] superstitious,[5] or wicked mentioning, or otherwise using his titles, attributes,[6] ordinances,[7] or works,[8] by blasphemy,[9] perjury;[10] all sinful cursings,[11] oaths,[12] vows,[13] and lots;[14] violating of our oaths and vows, if lawful;[15] and fulfilling them, if of things unlawful;[16] murmuring and quarreling at,[17] curious prying into,[18] and misapplying of God's decrees [19] and providences;[20] misinterpreting,[21] misapplying,[22] or any way perverting the word, or any part of it,[23] to profane jests,[24] curious or unprofitable Questions,[25] vain janglings, or the maintaining of false doctrines;[26] abusing it, the creatures, or anything contained under the name of God, to charms,[27] or sinful lusts and practices;[28] the maligning,[29] scorning,[30] reviling,[31] or any wise opposing of God's truth, grace, and ways;[32] making profession of religion in hypocrisy, or for sinister ends;[33] being ashamed of it,[34] or a shame to it, by unconformable,[35] unwise,[36] unfruitful,[37] and offensive walking,[38] or backsliding from it.[39]

1. [Mal. 2:2](#) 2. [Acts 17:23](#) 3. [Prov. 30:9](#) 4. [Mal. 1:6-7](#), [12](#); [3:14](#) 5. [I Sam. 4:3-5](#); [Jer. 7:4](#), [9-10](#), [14](#), [31](#); [Col. 2:20-22](#) 6. [II Kings 18:30](#), [35](#); [Exod. 5:2](#); [Psa. 139:20](#) 7. [Psa. 50:16-17](#) 8. [Psa. 50:16-17](#) 9. [Isa. 5:12](#) 10. [II Kings 19:22](#); [Lev. 24:11](#) 11. [Zech. 5:4](#); [8:17](#) 12. [I Sam. 17:43](#); [II Sam. 16:5](#) 13. [Jer. 5:7](#); [23:10](#) 14. [Deut. 23:18](#); [Acts 23:12](#), [14](#) 15. [Esth. 3:7](#); [9:24](#); [Psa. 22:18](#) 16. [Psa. 24:4](#), [Ezek. 17:16](#), [18-19](#) 17. [Mark 6:26](#); [I Sam. 25:22](#), [32-34](#) 18. [Rom. 9:14](#), [19-20](#) 19. [Deut. 29:29](#) 20. [Rom. 3:5](#), [7](#); [6:1-2](#) 21. [Eccl. 8:11](#); [9:3](#); [Psa. ch. 39](#) 22. [Matt. 5:21-48](#) 23. [Ezek 13:22](#) 24. [II Peter 3:16](#); [Matt. 22:24-31](#) 25. [Isa. 22:18](#); [Jer. 23:34](#), [36](#), [38](#) 26. [I Tim. 1:4](#), [6-7](#); [6:4-5](#), [20](#); [II Tim. 2:14](#); [Titus. 3:9](#) 27. [Deut. 18:10-14](#); [Acts 19:13](#) 28. [II Tim. 4:3-4](#); [Rom. 13:13-14](#); [I Kings 21:9-10](#); [Jude 1:4](#) 29. [Acts 13:45](#); [I John 3:12](#) 30. [Psa. 1:1](#); [II Peter 3:3](#) 31. [I Peter 4:4](#) 32. [Acts 4:18](#); [13:45-46](#), [50](#); [19:9](#); [I Thess 2:16](#); [Heb. 10:29](#) 33. [II Tim. 3:5](#); [Matt. 6:1-2](#), [5](#), [16](#); [23:14](#) 34. [Mark 8:38](#) 35. [Psa. 73:14-15](#) 36. [I Cor. 6:5-6](#); [Eph. 5:15-17](#) 37. [Isa. 5:4](#); [II Peter 1:8-9](#) 38. [Rom. 2:23-24](#) 39. [Gal. 3:1](#), [3](#); [Heb. 6:6](#)