

Call to Worship

Psalm 18:1-3

*I love you, O LORD, my strength.*

*The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.*

*I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.*

1 Corinthians 15:25-27

*For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet."*

Singing: In Christ Alone

(Music video available here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qLy8ksqGf9w> )

1. In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all— Here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid— Here in the death of Christ I live.

3. There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine—Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death— This is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home— Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

Confessional Reading from the Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter XIV, *Of Saving Faith*

- I. The grace of faith, whereby the elect are enabled to believe to the saving of their souls, is the work of the Spirit of Christ in their hearts, and is ordinarily wrought by the ministry of the Word, by which also, and by the administration of the sacraments, and prayer, it is increased and strengthened.
- II. By this faith, a Christian believes to be true whatsoever is revealed in the Word, for the authority of God himself speaking therein; and acts differently upon that which each particular passage thereof contains; yielding obedience to the commands, trembling at the threatenings, and embracing the promises of God for this life, and that which is to come. But the principal acts of saving faith are accepting, receiving, and resting upon Christ alone for justification, sanctification, and eternal life, by virtue of the covenant of grace.
- III. This faith is different in degrees, weak or strong; may be often and many ways assailed, and weakened, but gets the victory: growing up in many to the attainment of a full assurance, through Christ, who is both the author and finisher of our faith.

Prayers of Petition: Below is a guide for a prayer of petition. Feel free to add prayer requests of your own.

- Pray for the online University Student Bible Study led by Helen and Johannes. Praise God for newcomers!
- Pray for Rachel Gibson and her work in BSF (Bible Study Fellowship) as she seeks to train leaders and also lead bible studies in an online forum.
- Praise God for granting us protection from the virus.
- Pray for comfort and strength for Nora, her mom (Claudia), sister (Nina), and the Gelston family as they grieve for the passing of Nora's father.

- Pray for safety for Mike and Kristin Leeman with Baby Cecelia, as they move back to the U.S. this weekend.
- Pray that this virus will be contained, that the rate of infection will decrease, and that a vaccine will be developed soon.
- Pray for the protection of the most vulnerable among us and for those who may be exposed to the virus especially those working long hours. Pray for the healing of those who already have it.
- Pray for wisdom for world leaders and other officials as they continue to assess the situation in their countries, that they will make wise decisions.
- Pray for God to provide for the needs of the people who have lost their jobs and income, especially the poorest like those in 3rd World countries.
- Pray for the medical professionals and essential workers that God will protect them and their families from exposure to the virus.
- Pray that people will come to the knowledge of God and that he will draw many to Himself especially the lonely.
- Pray that we will experience God's peace in the midst of a very difficult situation and be able to give an answer for our peace and hope in Christ.

Sermon: One Lord, One Faith, On Baptism

Ephesians 4:5

I. One Lord

II. One Faith

III. One Baptism

Singing: Crown Him with Many Crowns #295

(Music available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3YJnVN6wdvI>)

1. Crown him with many crowns, The Lamb upon his throne;  
Hark! how the heav'nly 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.
2. Crown him the Lord of love; Behold his hands and side,  
Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified:  
No angel in the sky Can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bends his burning eye At mysteries so bright.
3. Crown him the Lord of peace; Whose pow'r a scepter sways  
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, Absorbed in prayer and praise:  
His reign shall know no end; And round his pierced feet  
Fair flowers of Paradise extend Their fragrance ever sweet.
4. Crown him the Lord of years, The Potentate of time;  
Creator of the rolling spheres, Ineffably sublime:  
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me:  
Thy praise shall never, never fail Throughout eternity.