

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, October 25, 2020

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

Romans 1:16-17

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing

Responsive Reading

Psalm 46 (p. 802)

TO THE CHOIRMASTER. OF THE SONS OF KORAH. ACCORDING TO ALAMOTH. A SONG.
God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells.
God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.

Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

The LORD Almighty is with us;

the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Come and see the works of the LORD, the desolations he has brought on the earth.

He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear, he burns the shields with fire.

"Be still, and know that I am God;

I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

The LORD Almighty is with us;

the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Hymn of Preparation

Hymn 92

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he,
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever. Amen.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Father, we come before you to acknowledge our sin, because if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

All: We confess that though you have been faithful, we have been unfaithful. We have sinned against you by breaking your commandments and by not doing the good works that bring you glory and honor.

Leader: Forgive us, we pray. Apart from Christ we could never stand in your presence. Yet in him you have called us to draw near, and so we boldly approach your throne of grace that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

All: Give us a growing desire to joyfully serve you and one another as we follow Christ, who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

Ephesians 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading

Numbers 21:4-9

Congregational Response

Hymn 439

Christ Shall Have Dominion

Christ shall have dominion over land and sea,
Earth's remotest regions shall his empire be;
They that wilds inhabit shall their worship bring,
Kings shall render tribute, nations serve our King.

*Christ shall have dominion over land and sea,
Earth's remotest regions shall his empire be.*

When the needy seek him, he will mercy show;
Yea, 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.

*Christ shall have dominion over land and sea,
Earth's remotest regions shall his empire be.*

Ever and forever shall his name endure,
Long as suns continue it shall stand secure;
And in him forever all men shall be blest,
And all nations hail him King of kings confessed.

*Christ shall have dominion over land and sea,
Earth's remotest regions shall his empire be.*

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

*Christ shall have dominion over land and sea,
Earth's remotest regions shall his empire be. Amen.*

Confession of Faith

The Nicene Creed (p. 846)

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of his Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,

begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;

by whom all things were made;

who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,

and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;

and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;

whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son;

who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;

who spoke by the prophets;

and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;

we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;

and we look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship

Doxology

Hymn 731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

Second Reading

Philippians 2:1-11

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [from Psalm 92:1-9, 12-15]) Hymn 635 (*music on pg. 7*)

How Good It Is to Thank the Lord

How good it is to thank the Lord,
And praise to you, Most High, accord,
To show your love with morning light,
And tell your faithfulness each night;
Yea, good it is your praise to sing,
And all our sweetest music bring.

O Lord, with joy my heart expands
Before the wonders of your hands;
Great works, Jehovah, you have wrought,
Exceeding deep your ev'ry thought;
A foolish man knows not their worth,
Nor he whose mind is of the earth.

When as the grass the wicked grow,
When sinners flourish here below,
Then is there endless ruin nigh,
But you, O Lord, are throned on high;
Your foes shall fall before your might,
The wicked shall be put to flight.

The righteous man shall flourish well,
And in the house of God shall dwell;
He shall be like a goodly tree,
And all his life shall fruitful be;
For righteous is the Lord and just,
He is my rock, in him I trust. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Ben Muresan

“The Turning Point of History”
John 12:31-36

1. Jesus' glorification serves as a way to distinguish between those who are his and those who are not (v. 31).
1 Corinthians 1:18
2. Jesus' glorification doomed Satan (v. 31).
Revelation 12:7-12
3. Jesus' glorification exalted him as the one who gave his life to redeem his people (vv. 32-33).
John 3:14-15
4. Jesus' glorification secured the salvation of his people (v. 32).
John 12:34-36

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down;
 Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown;
 O sacred Head, what glory, what bliss till now was thine!
 Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.

What thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners' gain:
 Mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly pain.
 Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve thy place;
 Look on me with thy favor, vouchsafe to me thy grace.

What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest Friend,
 For this, thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?
 O make me thine forever; and should I fainting be,
 Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee. Amen.

GOD'S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hallelujah! Thine the Glory

We praise thee, O God! for the days of our youth,
 For the bright lamp that shineth—the Word of thy truth.
Hallelujah! thine the glory, hallelujah! we sing;
Hallelujah! thine the glory, our praise now we bring.

We praise thee, O God! for the Son of thy love,
 For Jesus who died and is now gone above.
Hallelujah! thine the glory, hallelujah! we sing;
Hallelujah! thine the glory, our praise now we bring.

We praise thee, O God! for thy Spirit of light,
 Who has shown us our Savior and scattered our night.
Hallelujah! thine the glory, hallelujah! we sing;
Hallelujah! thine the glory, our praise now we bring.

All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain,
 Who has borne all our sins and has cleansed ev'ry stain!
Hallelujah! thine the glory, hallelujah! we sing;
Hallelujah! thine the glory, our praise now we bring. Amen.

Benediction

Congregational Benediction Response

(Hymn 115, verse 5)

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia!
 Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in One,
 O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Amen.

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

Greeting and Call to Worship

Psalm 100

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

All: Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Hymn*

“God, in the Gospel of His Son” Hymn 141

Congregational Confession of Sin

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your unfailing love. According to your great compassion, blot out our transgressions. Wash away all our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin. Against you, you only, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight. Wash us, that we may be whiter than snow, for a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. Restore us to fellowship with you, that we may walk in the full assurance of your promises, and in the freedom of knowing that you care for us and have brought us to yourself by the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, in whose strong Name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 John 1:8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Hymn

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Hymn 457

Scripture Reading

Romans 3:9-26

Hymn

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me” Hymn 500

Prayer

Sermon

“Righteousness and Wickedness”
Psalm 1

Pastor Clayton Willis

Hymn

“In Christ Alone”

Benediction

Congregational Benediction Response

“To God Be the Glory” Hymn 55

How Good It Is to Thank the Lord

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It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High. Ps. 92:1

1. How good it is to thank the Lord, and praise to you, Most
 2. O Lord, with joy my heart ex - pands be - fore the won - ders
 3. When as the grass the wick - ed grow, when sin - ners flour - ish
 4. The righ - teous man shall flour - ish well, and in the house of

High, ac - cord, to show your love with morn - ing light, and
 of your hands; great works, Je - ho - vah, you have wrought, ex -
 here be - low, then is there end - less ru - in nigh, but
 God shall dwell; he shall be like a good - ly tree, and

tell your faith - ful - ness each night; yea, good it is your
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 you, O Lord, are throned on high; your foes shall fall be -
 all his life shall fruit - ful be; for righ - teous is the

praise to sing, and all our sweet - est mu - sic bring.
 not their worth, nor he whose mind is of the earth.
 fore your might, the wick - ed shall be put to flight.
 Lord and just, he is my rock, in him I trust.

HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

*The daily reading schedule follows the One Year Bible Reading Plan.
Use our church directory to pray for an individual or family each day.*

Monday, October 26

Scripture: Jeremiah 49:23 - 50:46; Titus 1:1-16; Psalm 97:1 - 98:9; Proverbs 26:13-16

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 26

Pray for: Our federal, state, and local government leaders.

Tuesday, October 27

Scripture: Jeremiah 51:1-53; Titus 2:1-15; Psalm 99:1-9; Proverbs 26:17

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 27

Pray for: Our military, police, fire, and medical personnel.

Wednesday, October 28

Scripture: Jeremiah 51:54 - 52:34; Titus 3:1-15; Psalm 100:1-5; Proverbs 26:18-19

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 28

Pray for: Our covenant children and Christian military chaplains.
The churches in Zambia and persecuted Christians.

Thursday, October 29

Scripture: Lamentations 1:1 - 2:22; Philemon 1:1-25; Psalm 101:1-8; Proverbs 26:20

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 29

Pray for: Our Elders, Deacons, Women's Ministry, & the PCA.

Friday, October 30

Scripture: Lamentations 3:1-66; Hebrews 1:1-14; Psalm 102:1-28; Proverbs 26:21-22

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 30

Pray for: Our members who have ongoing health needs.

Saturday, October 31

Scripture: Lamentations 4:1 - 5:22; Hebrews 2:1-18; Psalm 103:1-22; Proverbs 26:23

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 31

Pray for: The preaching and for our Sunday School teachers.

Sunday, November 1

Scripture: Ezekiel 1:1 - 3:15; Hebrews 3:1-19; Psalm 104:1-23; Proverbs 26:24-26

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 32

Pray for: Our worship this morning.

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*Pray for our missionaries. Their prayer requests are sent out through the Prayer Chain
and their newsletters are published in Grace Notes as they become available.*

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