

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, July 19, 2020

My soul longs for your salvation;
I hope in your word.
Psalm 119:81

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing

Responsive Reading

Psalm 34 (p. 796 in the *Trinity Hymnal*)

I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

My soul will boast in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.

I sought the LORD, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.

Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame.

This poor man called, and the LORD heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them.

Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.

Fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him lack nothing.

The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.

Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

Whoever of you loves life and desires to see many good days,

keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking lies.

Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their cry;

the face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth.

The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles.

The LORD is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

A righteous man may have many troubles, but the LORD delivers him from them all;

he protects all his bones, not one of them will be broken.

Evil will slay the wicked; the foes of the righteous will be condemned.

The LORD redeems his servants; no one will be condemned who takes refuge in him.

Hymn of Preparation

Hymn 16 (stanzas 1-3, 7)

Come, Let Us Sing Unto the Lord

Come, let us sing unto the Lord new songs of praise with sweet accord;
For wonders great by him are done, his hand and arm the vict'ry won.

The great salvation of our God is seen through all the earth abroad;
Before the heathen's wond'ring sight he has revealed his truth and right.

He called to mind his truth and grace in promise made to Israel's race;
And unto earth's remotest bound glad tidings of salvation sound.

For lo, he comes; at his command all nations shall in judgment stand;
In justice robed and throned in light, the Lord shall judge, dispensing right. Amen.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Heavenly Father, we come before you with guilt and shame as we consider how we have offended you by our sinful actions, our hurtful words, and our disgraceful thoughts.

All: As we enter into worship, we feel the vast difference between who we are as creatures and who you are as our Creator. We are painfully aware of how we have sinned and fall short of your glory.

Leader: Forgive us, we pray, and fill us with your Holy Spirit. Cause us to continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the Gospel.

All: We ask all this through Jesus Christ, our risen and ascended Lord, who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 John 4:9-11

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading

Psalm 82

Congregational Response

Hymn 254

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

Alas! and did my Savior bleed,
And did my Sovereign die!
Would he devote that sacred head
For such a worm as I!

Was it for crimes that I had done
He groaned upon the tree!
Amazing pity! Grace unknown!
And love beyond degree!

Well might the sun in darkness hide,
And shut his glories in,
When Christ, the mighty Maker, died
For man the creature's sin.

Thus might I hide my blushing face
While his dear cross appears;
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness,
And melt mine eyes in tears.

But drops of grief can ne'er repay
The debt of love I owe;
Here, Lord, I give myself away,
'Tis all that I can do. Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 53. *Which is the third commandment?*

A. The third commandment is “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.”

Q. 54. *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.

Q. 55. *What is forbidden in the third commandment?*

A. The third commandment forbids all profaning or abusing of anything by which God makes himself known.

Q. 56. *What is the reason attached to the third commandment?*

A. The reason attached to the third commandment is that, however those who break this commandment may escape punishment from men, yet the Lord our God will not allow them to escape his righteous judgment.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship

Gloria Patri

Hymn 735

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, 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

2 Timothy 3:10 - 4:5

Congregational Response

(Sung to the tune of "O Worship the King")

Psalm 104

My soul, bless the LORD!
LORD God, you are great,
With honor arrayed, majestic in state!
You cover yourself with a garment of light
And stretch out the sky as a curtain by night.

The beams of your courts in waters you laid;
On wings of the wind your pathway you made.
The clouds are your chariot;
The winds do your will;
The flames and the lightnings
Your pleasure fulfill.

You set up the earth on foundations sure,
That always it should unshaken endure.
Deep seas like a garment about it you cast;
The waters stood high;
Over mountains they passed.

But at your rebuke the high waters fled;
Your thunder they heard and from there they sped.
The mountains arose,
And the valleys sank low,
And went to the place
You ordained them to go. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Ben Muresan

"Scripture Cannot Be Broken"
John 10:30-42

1. "I and the Father are one." (v. 30)

John 1:1; 5:18; 8:58

Unity of Will (John 10:28-29)

Unity of Works (John 5:36)

Unity of Essence (John 10:38)

2. "Scripture cannot be broken." (v. 35)

Psalm 82:6

Matthew 5:17-19; 12:38-42; 19:4-5

2 Timothy 3:14-17

GOD'S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving

Hymn 274

Thine Be the Glory

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won;
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave clothes where thy body lay.

*Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.*

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
Let the church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing,
For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

*Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.*

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;
Life is naught without thee: aid us in our strife;
Make us more than conqu'rors, thro' thy deathless love:
Bring us safe thro' Jordan to thy home above.

*Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won. 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.

LORD'S DAY DEVOTION AND QUESTIONS

What did Jesus believe about Scripture? We learn in John 10:35 that he believed “Scripture cannot be broken.” The word for “broken” in Greek means to loose, dismiss, or dissolve. In this verse, it has the sense of nullifying or invalidating something. Jesus says that every word of Scripture, therefore, is true and sure. We can and we must build our lives upon it. It is God’s true and sure word to us through which he reveals the way of salvation and how to live in a way that pleases him. Westminster Confession of Faith 1.4 explains: “The authority of the Holy Scripture, because of which it ought to be believed and obeyed, does not depend upon the testimony of any man or church, but entirely upon God, its author (who is truth itself); therefore it is to be received, because it is the Word of God.”

1. Read John 10:1-30. What reasons does Jesus give to show that he is the Good Shepherd? How does this passage comfort and encourage you?
2. In John 10:30, Jesus says, “I and the Father are one.” What does this mean? What does this teach you about our Triune God and the salvation that he gives?
3. Do you believe that “Scripture cannot be broken” as Jesus teaches in John 10:35? Why or why not? Read Matthew 5:17-19; Matthew 12:38-42; Matthew 19:4-5; 2 Timothy 3:14-17; and 1 Peter 1:10-12. What do these passages teach about Scripture?
4. Read Westminster Larger Catechism Q/A 3-5 and Westminster Confession of Faith, chapter 1. Why is it important for Christians to believe that Scripture is inspired and without error?
5. Do you prioritize reading Scripture and thinking about God in your daily life? If you don’t, what are some changes you can make to your daily schedule to begin developing this habit?

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, July 20

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 1:1 - 3:17; Romans 6:1-23; Psalm 16:1-11; Proverbs 19:20-21

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 12

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

Tuesday, July 21

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 4:1 - 6:11; Romans 7:1-13; Psalm 17:1-15; Proverbs 19:22-23

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 50

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

Wednesday, July 22

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 6:12 - 8:10; Romans 7:14 - 8:8; Psalm 18:1-15; Prov. 19:24-25

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 51

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

Thursday, July 23

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 8:11 - 10:19; Romans 8:9-25; Psalm 18:16-36; Proverbs 19:26

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 52

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

Friday, July 24

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 11:1 - 13:22; Romans 8:26-39; Psalm 18:37-50; Prov. 19:27-29

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 53

Pray for: Our members who have ongoing health needs.

Saturday, July 25

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 14:1 - 16:14; Romans 9:1-24; Psalm 19:1-14; Proverbs 20:1

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 54

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

Sunday, July 26

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 17:1 - 18:34; Romans 9:25 - 10:13; Psalm 20:1-9; Prov. 20:2-3

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 55

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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