

Order of Worship

February 23, 2020

Preparing Our Hearts: If you arrive a little early, prepare your heart for worship by reading and thinking about this text:

- *You have set up a banner for those who fear you, that they may flee to it from the bow.* (Psalm 60:4 ESV)

Call to Worship:

- God calls us to worship
 - Congregational Song: “Your Name”
- We humbly respond with praise
 - *The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.* (Psalm 121:5–6 ESV)
 - Congregational Song: “O Worship the King”

Gospel Assurance:

- Our need for Jesus
 - Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin!

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation and uphold me with a willing spirit. (Psalm 51:1-4, 10, 12)

- God’s grace
 - Congregational Song: “Completely Done”
 - *Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate*

made the good confession, to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

(1 Timothy 6:12–16 ESV)

- Congregational Song: “Come Praise and Glorify”

What We Believe: As a church we want to affirm our unity in what we believe.

- *We believe the name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe.* (Proverbs 18:10 ESV)

Prayer: We bring our requests to the Lord through Jesus Christ.

Church Life/Greeting: In Christ, we live and fellowship together as believers. We take time to learn what is going on in our church, and to greet one another as we worship.

Prayer for Understanding: We pray that God will open our hearts and minds to the preaching of His Word.

Sermon:

- Exodus 17:8-16

Lord’s Supper: In taking communion together, we remember the death of Christ as we proclaim it to one another as we consume the elements.

- Congregational Song: “Jesus Paid It All”

Praise to God (Doxology): We end our time of worship together as we resound in praises together.

- Congregational Song: “It Is Finished”

God Blesses: We go into the world this week with God’s blessings as He enables us to serve Him.

- *The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.* (Romans 16:20 ESV)

Time to Fight

Exodus 17:8-16

Pastor Nathan Hogan

Discussion Questions

1. In our text Israel is told to fight the Amalekites. How does this compare to how Israel faced Egypt? Why the difference?
 2. What do you learn about Israel and Moses from the way in which this battle is fought?
 3. As Christians we are called to fight the good of faith. What does this battle look like for us today?
 4. As Christians we can sometimes forget what kind of battle we are fighting. In what ways do we fight the wrong kind of battle today?
 5. Has there ever been a time when fellow Christians were strong while you were weak? If so, share about this experience.
 6. What does it mean to fight in the Lord's power? What does this look like, and in what ways do we fail to do this?
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Next Week: Exodus 18:1-27