# Order of Worship - Week of March 22nd, 2020

## Call to Worship and Invocation - Psalm 46

Leader:

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

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Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

#### Leader:

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.

## All:

The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

## Song of response - All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

All praise to God, who reigns above, The God of all creation, The God of wonders, power, and love, The God of our salvation! With healing balm my soul He fills, The God who every sorrow stills, To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty power hath made His gracious mercy keepeth; By morning dawn or evening shade His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth; Within the kingdom of His might Lo, all is just and all is right, To God all praise and glory!

I cried to Him in time of need: Lord God, oh, hear my calling! For death He gave me life indeed and kept my feet from falling. For this my thanks shall endless be; Oh, thank Him, thank our God, with me; To God all praise and glory!

The Lord forsaketh not His flock, His chosen generation; He is their Refuge and their Rock, Their Peace and their Salvation. As with a mother's tender hand He leads His own, His chosen band,—To God all praise and glory!

Ye who confess Christ's holy name, To God give praise and glory! Ye who the Father's power proclaim, To God give praise and glory! All idols under foot be trod, The Lord is God! The Lord is God! To God all praise and glory!

Then come before His presence now and banish fear and sadness; To your Redeemer pay your vow and sing with joy and gladness: Though great distress my soul befell, the Lord, my God, did all things well; To God all praise and glory!

## Confession of Sin - Psalm 32

## Leader:

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

#### All:

For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

## Leader:

Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

#### All:

You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

## Assurance of Pardon - Psalm 32:10-11

Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord. Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

## Song of response - Solid Rock

#### Verse 1:

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus Christ, my righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name But wholly lean on Jesus' name

## Verse 2:

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil. My anchor holds within the veil.

#### **Chorus:**

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

## Verse 3:

His oath, His covenant, His blood, Support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. He then is all my hope and stay. (*To chorus*)

## Verse 4:

When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found; In Him, my righteousness, alone, Faultless to stand before the throne. Faultless to stand before the throne. (To chorus)

## Confession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q21-22

Q21. Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

A21. The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God became man, and so was and continues to be God and man, in two distinct natures and one person for ever.

Q22. How did Christ, the of God, become man?

A22. Christ, the Son of God, became man by taking to himself a body and a soul like ours, being conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit in the womb of the virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.

## Preaching of God's Word - Preaching text: Mark 10:35-52

## The Request of James and John

35 And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." 36 And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" 37 And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, i n your glory." 38 Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are aski ng. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the b aptism with which I am baptized?" 39 And they said to him, "We are able ." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with t he baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, 40 but to sit a t my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for wh om it has been prepared." 41 And when the ten heard it, they began to b e indignant at James and John. 42 And Jesus called them to him and sai d to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentile s lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. 43 But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among yo u must be your servant, 44 and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. 45 For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

## Jesus Heals Blind Bartimaeus

46 And they came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. 47 And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" 48 And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" 49 And Jesus stopp ed and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart. Get up; he is calling you." 50 And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. 51 And Jesus said to him, "What do you wan t me to do for you?" And the blind man said to him, "Rabbi, let me recover my sight." 52 And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.