

Sunday Worship

A Poor, Wise Man

July 5, 2020

Whispers of His Name
(Finding Christ in the
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Prelude

GATHERING

Welcome

Call to Worship

> *Good morning.*

> *My name is ... and I'd like to welcome you live from our Grace Sacramento space this morning. This morning, I have the privilege of leading us in the call to worship.*

> *Our call to worship this morning comes from Psalm 145. In this last psalm of David, he praises God for His powerful acts, for His mercy and grace, and for His everlasting kingdom. Let's join David in the praise of God in our call to worship. Please stand if you are able as I call us into worship and read with me the verses in bold.*

All your works shall give thanks to You, O Lord,
and all Your faithful shall bless You.

**They shall speak of the glory of Your kingdom,
and tell of Your power,**

to make known to all people Your mighty deeds,
and the glorious splendor of Your kingdom.

**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and Your dominion endures throughout all generations.**

Let's continue to worship our glorious King!

The Lion And The Lamb

V1, C, V2, C, Bx2, C

King Of Love

Intro, V1, V2, C, instr. 1, V3, V4, C, instr. 2, Bridge, C x2, instr. 1, V5

Confession/Assurance

Sometimes we fear that when we confess all that is wrong, we will be exposed and condemned. Our hope in Christ tells us a different story, that when we confess we open up the way to mercy and forgiveness. Trusting in that hope, let us make our confession before God and one another.

Call to Confession (Psalm 145:18-20)

This morning, our call to confession comes from Psalm 145:18-20.

The Lord is near to all who call on Him,
to all who call on Him in truth.
He fulfills the desire of those who fear Him;
He also hears their cry and saves them.
The Lord preserves all who love Him,

Affirmation of Faith (based on Romans 7:15-20)

Brothers and sisters, what do we believe concerning the war between good and evil?

We believe that often we do not do what we want, but we do the very thing we hate.

We believe that that nothing good dwells within us, that is, in our flesh. We can will what is right, but we cannot do it. For we do not do the good we want, but the evil we do not want is what we do. Now if we do what we do not want, it is no longer we that do it, but sin that dwells within us.

We believe that when we want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For we delight in the law of God in our inmost selves, but we see in our members another law at war with the law of our minds, making us captive to the law of sin that dwells in our members.

Who will rescue us from this body of death?

We believe and give thanks to God that, through Jesus Christ our Lord, we are rescued from the law of sin. So then, with our minds we are a slave to the law of God, but with our flesh we are slaves to the law of sin.

Thanks be to God!

O Come To The Altar

Intro, V1, C, Instr. 1, V2, C, Instr. 2, Bx2, Cx2, Instr.3, V3, Ending

Doxology

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you

And also with you

Prayers of the People

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One essential component of corporate worship is corporate prayer – the prayers of the people of God. In these prayers, we're asking for God's redemptive presence in the church, in our lives, in our communities and in the world. After each portion of the prayer, I will say the words, "Lord, in Your mercy" and if you would follow with the response, "Hear our prayer." Will you join me now as we pray?

Loving Father, we thank You for the gift of Your Son that we might be saved from sin and receive eternal life. And so, it is in this confidence that we can come now to this place and intercede on behalf of those in need both near and far.

We pray especially during these times of uncertainty, that you would watch over Your church. We want to be the people of Jesus. We want to be a people of the Word. We desire to be a people who walk and minister and love as you did and continue to do. We want to be people on mission, living in missional discipleship to those places you have scattered us. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord, give courage to your people and use this time to work through your people that we may be inspired in new ways to care for our neighbors. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Loving Lord, the fallen world we live in has resulted in the suffering of many. We bring to You now all those who are afflicted in body and soul, especially in this pandemic. Deliver them from suffering, restore health, and bring Your comfort to their family, friends, and loved ones in this time. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Jesus, we pray in the wake of racial tensions and oppression and systems that give rise to hatred or seeing each other as less than human, we pray that You would heal wounds, bring reconciliation and peace to this land. Our desire is that we, as the people of God, would learn to lament and grieve as You do. Help us, especially in this time, to be a people who act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with our God. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who don't know you and the kind of King You are, that You are kind, and gentle and loving and humble. Deliver them from darkness and make Your light shine in their hearts and minds. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Risen Jesus, help us to remember that our hope is in You and that You have overcome sin and death and risen from the grave and that one day, You will return and heal Your broken people and broken world. Come Lord Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All these things we pray, O Lord, in the confidence of Your mercy, trusting that You will grant to us all things needful and prevent all things harmful to our faith, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Ministry Moment

WORD

Scripture Reading

Ecclesiastes 9:13-16

Please stand if you are able for a reading from God's Holy Word. Today's Scripture reading is from Ecclesiastes 9:13-16. Please read with me the verses in bold.

[13] I have also seen this example of wisdom under the sun, and it seemed great to me.

[14] There was a little city with few men in it, and a great king came against it and besieged it, building great siegeworks against it.

[15] But there was found in it a poor, wise man, and he by his wisdom delivered the city. Yet no one remembered that poor man.

[16] But I say that wisdom is better than might, though the poor man's wisdom is despised and his words are not heard.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

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TABLE

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

V1, V2, V3, V4, Ending

SENDING

Benediction

Postlude

Rehearsal Times

07/05 9:00A

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