

Sunday Worship

Rejoicing in Salvation

September 8, 2019

The Ties That Bind Us

09/08

10:30A

10:26a **Prelude - You Are Good (Instrumental)**

Intro x2, V1, PC, C1, Interlude x2 B x2, PC, C2

GATHERING

10:30a **Welcome/Call to Worship**

> Welcome to Grace Sacramento

> My name is ... and I'm so happy you are here. Please take a moment and let us know you are here by filling out the welcome card in your bulletin. It's a way for us to get in touch with you if you'd like more information about the ministries we offer and for you to let us know how we can pray for you or serve your family.

God invites and welcomes us into worship. The loving call of God is what prompts our response. In our call to worship this morning, I invite you to join in a call and reply that begins with words from Psalm 51. Please stand if you are able and join us in the call to worship.

O Lord, open our lips;

And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us;

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever!

Praise the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

Let's continue to worship!

10:32a **Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)**

V1, PC, C (half - to "worthy of all our praises"), V2, PC, C, PC, C

10:36a **Christ Is Enough**

Intro, V1, C, V2, C, Instrumental, B1a, B2, C (x2)

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10:40a **Confession of Faith**

*On most Sunday's, we use this time in our service to confess together. Confession is an essential part of being honest with God and with ourselves about who we are. This morning, I'm going to invite you to join me in a **Confession of Faith** rather than a confession of sin. By saying the Apostles' Creed, we articulate together the core of the Christian faith, those things that have been believed by nearly all Christians at all times. This morning, I invite you to confess with me what Richard Baxter says it means to be "mere Christianity." This is what we believe:*

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

** universal*

10:44a **Offering**

10:44:30a ***This I Believe***

V1, C1, V2, C1, Bx2, C2, C1

10:48:30a **Doxology**

10:49a **GraceKids Prayer**

10:50a **Passing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you
And also with you

10:52a ***Prayers of the People - Lord Have Mercy***

INTRO:

“The word mercy in English is the translation of the Greek word eleos. This word has the same ultimate root as the old Greek word for oil, or more precisely, olive oil; a substance which was used extensively as a soothing agent for bruises and minor wounds. The oil was poured onto the wound and gently massaged in, thus soothing, comforting and making whole the injured part. The Hebrew word which is also translated as eleos and mercy is hesed, and means steadfast love. The Greek words for ‘Lord, have mercy,’ are ‘Kyrie, eleison’ that is to say, ‘Lord, soothe me, comfort me, take away my pain, show me your steadfast love.’ Thus mercy... refer[s]... to the infinite loving-kindness of God, and his compassion for his suffering children! It is in this sense that we pray ‘Lord, have mercy...”

-from the book *Orthodox Worship* by Benjamin D. Williams and Harold B. Anstall

Let us pray:

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Church around the world and for unity and peace among all people, let us pray to the Lord.

SUNG: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy!

Only say the word, and we shall be healed.

For the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, for those whose decisions effect the lives and livelihoods of many, let us pray to the Lord.

SUNG: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy!

Only say the word, and we shall be healed.

For the city of Sacramento and for Tahoe Park, for those whose homes are here and for those who are homeless here, let us pray to the Lord.

SUNG: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy!

Only say the word, and we shall be healed.

For those whose lives and families have been threatened by weather this week, particularly those in the path of hurricane Dorian, for their safety, survival and recovery, let us pray to the Lord.

SUNG: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy!

Only say the word, and we shall be healed.

For the elderly, for the widowed and orphaned, and for the sick and the suffering, for the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for refugees, for prisoners and those who are trafficked, let us pray to the Lord.

SUNG: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy!

Only say the word, and we shall be healed.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation. Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

SUNG: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy!

Only say the word, and we shall be healed.

WORD

10:56a **Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-12**

Please stand if you are able for a reading from God's Holy Word. Today's Scripture reading is from 1 Peter 1:3-12. Please read with me the verses in bold.

[3] Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

[4] to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,

[5] who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

[6] In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials,

[7] so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

[8] Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory,

[9] obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

[10] Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully,

[11] inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories.

[12] It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God!

10:59a **Sermon: Rejoice In Your Salvation**

TABLE

11:34a **Communion**

> Servers: Brad Carpenter, Daniel Yoon, Randy Anderson, Mike Boyd

> Prayer Ministers: Tina Hudson, Chris Odneal

11:40a **Blessed Assurance**

V1, C, V2, C, V3, C

SENDING

11:44a **Benediction**

11:45a **Postlude**

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