March 29, 2020 Welcome Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Psalm 105:1-2

Give praise to the LORD! Call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples! Sing to Him! Sing praises to Him! Tell of all His wondrous works!

Hymn: "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" #1

Invocation

The Law of Christ: Mark 12:29-30

Leader: The Lord Jesus summarized the moral law of God by saying,

Congregation: "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength."

Leader: Beloved we have not done this as we ought; therefore let us corporately confess our sin:

Corporate Confession of sin:

LORD of heaven and earth, Creator, Savior, Guide, and Protector, we confess that we have not loved you with all of our heart. We confess that we have not loved you with all of our mind. We confess that we have not loved you with all of our strength. LORD, we have not honored you or worshipped you as we should: we have not praised you, thanked you, called upon you, made known your deeds or listened to you as you deserve. Forgive us, for the sake of the Son of God who died for our sins and rose again for our justification, that we might walk in newness of life and render praise to you.

Personal (silent)

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103:2-4

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not His benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your sicknesses, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

Congregation: We give praise to God, for although He was angry with us, His anger has been turned away, and by faith in Christ our sins are forgiven.

Pastor: How far has he separated your sins from you?

Congregation: As far as the East is from the West, and he has replaced them with the righteousness of Christ

All: Praise and glory be to God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, our only Savior!

Response:

Minister: It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night. (Psalm 92:1)

Congregation: For you make me glad by your deeds, O LORD; I sing for joy at the works of your hands. How great are your works, O LORD, how profound your thoughts! (Psalm 92:4-5)

Hymn: "My Soul, Bless the LORD!" #126

Confession of Faith: WCF 21.1, 5a – Of Religious Worship

The light of nature shows that there is a God, who has lordship and sovereignty over all, is good, and does good unto all, and is therefore to be feared, loved, praised, called upon, trusted in, and served, with all the heart, and with all the soul, and with all the might. But the acceptable way of worshipping the true God is instituted by Himself, and so limited by His own revealed will, that He may not be worshipped according to the imaginations and devices of men, or the suggestions of Satan, under any visible representation, or any other way not prescribed in the Holy Scripture.

The reading of Scriptures with godly fear; the sound preaching and conscionable hearing of the Word, in obedience unto God, with understanding, faith, and reverence; singing of Psalms with grace in the heart; as also, the due administration and worthy receiving of the sacraments instituted by Christ are all parts of the ordinary religious worship of God.

Song: "Give Thanks"

Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks unto the Holy One. Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. *Repeat*

And now let the weak say, "I am strong."
Let the poor say, "I am rich
Because of what the LORD has done for us!"
Give thanks.

Pastoral Prayer

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 148

Psalter: Psalm 103:13-18 "The Tender Love a Father Has" #93

NT Responsive Reading: Romans 1:18-25

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them.

For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made, so they are without excuse.

For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Claiming to be wise, they became fools, and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.

Therefore, God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves, because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen.

Sermon: A Call to Worship

Lord's Supper

Bread: "Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul" #57
Cup: "In Sweet Communion, LORD, with Thee" #657

Offering: Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Prayer

Closing Song: "May the Grace of Christ Our Savior"

May the grace of Christ our Savior And the Father's boundless love, With the Holy Spirit's favor, Rest upon us from above. Thus may we abide in union With each other and the Lord, And possess, in sweet communion, Joys, which earth cannot afford.

Benediction