

February 28, 2021  
Welcome  
Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Psalm 117:1-2

Praise the LORD, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples. For great is his love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD.

Hymn: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God  
Invocation

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The Law of Christ:

Rom 12:10-18

Pastor: The Apostle Paul summarized the moral law of God by saying,

**Congregation: Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.**

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

Corporate Confession of sin: **Loving Heavenly Father your love for us is perfect and complete. Our love for you and one another is fractured, incomplete and conditional. We confess that even our love is tainted with sin, and this is expressed in evil thoughts, unwholesome talk and selfish actions. We need the loving atoning blood of Christ to cleanse us even of our love. Transform us into the image of Christ that we would love others as you have loved us. Through Christ the great Lover of our souls. Amen**

Personal (silent)

Assurance of Pardon: Eph 1:7-8

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding.

**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 our Father and to his Son Jesus 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. ( Ps 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!** (Ps 92:4-5)

Hymn: Does Jesus Care

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Confession of Faith: Westminster chapter 8, article 2

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Song: He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;  
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.  
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;  
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;  
For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;  
Precious in his holy sight, He will hold me fast.  
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;  
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;  
For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;  
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.  
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast  
'Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;  
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Children's song

Keep me true, Lord Jesus, Keep me true  
Keep me true, Lord Jesus, Keep me true  
There's a race that must be run  
There's a vic'try to be won  
Every hour, by thy power, keep me true!

Pastoral Prayer

OT Reading: Isa 45:5-16

Psalter: Ps 103 O Come My Soul Bless Thou the Lord

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NT Responsive Reading: James 1:11-17

For the sun rises with its scorching heat and withers the grass; its flower falls, and its beauty perishes.

**So also will the rich man fade away in the midst of his pursuits.**

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

**Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one.**

But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

**Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.**

Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers.

**Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.**

Sermon: He Is Able to Help Heb 2:14-18

Lord's Supper

Bread: Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless

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Cup: How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us  
How vast beyond all measure,  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure.

How great the pain of searing loss,  
The Father turns His face away,  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to Glory.

Behold the man upon the cross,  
My sin upon His shoulders;  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers.

It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished,  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,  
His death and resurrection.

Why should I gain from His reward?  
I cannot give an answer.  
But this I know with all my heart,  
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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

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