

April 18, 2021  
Welcome  
Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Psalm 33:1-4

Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him. Praise the LORD with the harp; make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre. Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy. For the word of the LORD is right and true; he is faithful in all he does.

Hymn: O Father You Are Sovereign

#75

Invocation

The Law of Christ: 1 Thess. 5:15-22

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

**Congregation: Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always try to be kind to each other and to everyone else. Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. Do not put out the Spirit's fire; do not treat prophecies with contempt. Test everything. Hold on to the good. Avoid every kind of evil.**

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

Corporate Confession of sin:

**Great forgiving God of Grace, we come to you to humbly to confess our sin. We are sinners by birth, and by choice. We know that the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that we do not do what we want. There is a desire in our new hearts to serve you but we find a different desire present in us. Forgive that part that seeks to serve the flesh for it taints all that we do. We have followed too much the desires that lead away from you. We have sinned! We thank you that Jesus lived, died and rose again for us in order to present us faultless before you. O Holy Spirit continue to renew us into the image of our blessed Savior and Redeemer the Lord Jesus through whose merits we pray. Amen**

Personal (silent)

Assurance of Pardon: Col 1:13-14

For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

**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: Have Thine Own Way, Lord

#688

Confession of Faith: Apostles Creed

p845

Song: How Great Is Your Love

No eye has seen and no ear has heard,  
And no mind has ever conceived  
The glorious things that You have prepared  
For ev'ryone one who has believed;  
You brought us near and You called us Your own,  
And made us joint heirs with Your Son.

Chorus:       How high and how wide,  
                  How deep and how long,  
                  How sweet and how strong is Your love;  
                  How lavish Your grace,  
                  How faithful Your ways,  
                  How great is Your love, O Lord?

Objects of mercy, who should have known wrath,  
We're filled with unspeakable joy,  
Riches of wisdom, unsearchable wealth,  
And the wonder of knowing Your voice;  
You are our treasure and our great reward,  
Our hope and our glorious King.

Chorus:

Children's song.

What rule has God given to tell us how to live  
It's the Bible in the Old and New  
It's there that we learn what we are to believe  
And what duty God requires of man.

Pastoral Prayer

OT Reading: Isa 64

Psalter: Ps 100

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

#1

NT Responsive Reading: James 4:10-17

Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

**Do not speak evil against one another, brothers.**

The one who speaks against a brother or judges his brother, speaks evil against the law and judges the law.

**But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge.**

There is only one lawgiver and judge, he who is able to save and to destroy.

**But who are you to judge your neighbor?**

Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit"--

**yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring.**

What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes.

**Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that."**

As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil.

**So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.**

Sermon: : "Potter and Clay" Romans 9:19-24

Matt Seufert

Lord's Supper

Bread: Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands

#427

Cup: Under the Blood of Jesus

Under the blood of Jesus

Safe in the Shepherd's fold

Under the blood of Jesus

Safe while the ages roll

Safe though worlds may crumble

Safe though the stars grow dim

Under the blood of Je – sus

I am secure in Him.

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

CCLI License # 2267065