

May 2, 2021
Welcome
Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Psalm 29:1-2

Ascribe to the LORD, O mighty ones, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.

Hymn: Jesus the Very Thought of Thee
Invocation

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The Law of Christ: Phil 2:2-8

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

Congregation: [M]ake my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death-- even death on a cross!

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

Corporate Confession of sin:

From the Book of Common Prayer

Most merciful God, you are of purer eyes than to look on iniquity, and have promised forgiveness to all those who confess and forsake their sins; We come before you in a humble sense of our own unworthiness, acknowledging our many sins. O gracious Father, who does not desire the death of a sinner, look upon us in mercy, as we acknowledge all our sins. Make us deeply aware of the great evil of them, and work in us a heartfelt contrition; for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, our only Savior and Redeemer. Amen

Personal (silent)

Assurance of Pardon: Ps 32:1-2

Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man whose sin the LORD does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit.

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: O the Deep Deep Love of Jesus

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Confession of Faith: Westminster Chapter 13, Articles 1&2

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Song: All That I Need

All that is good; all that is right;
All that is truth, justice and light;
All that is pure, holy indeed,
All that is You, is all that I need.

Children's song

Lord, fill me with compassion
Fill me with your kindness
Fill me with humility
Fill me with Christ likeness.

Pastoral Prayer

OT Reading: Proverbs 10:8-29

Psalter: Ps 92 How Good It Is to Thank the Lord

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NT Responsive Reading: 1 Cor 2:2-10

For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.

And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling,
and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power,
so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away.

But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory.

None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him"--
these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit.

For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.

Sermon: "Go on to Maturity" Heb 5:7-6:3

Lord's Supper

Bread: Jesus What a Friend for Sinners

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Cup: Amazing Love

My Lord, what love is this, that pays so dearly
That I, the guilty one may go free?

Chorus: Amazing love, O what sacrifice!
 The Son of God, giv'n for me.
 My debt He pays, and my death He dies
 That I might live, that I might live.

And so, they watched him die, despised, rejected.
But O, the blood He shed flowed for me.

Chorus

And now, this love of Christ shall flow like rivers.
Come wash your guilt away...live again!

Chorus

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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