



PASADENA
EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN

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Welcome
Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-3

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.

Hymn: Give to Our God Immortal Praise #3

Invocation

The Law of Christ: Eph 4:31-32

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

Congregation: Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be

kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

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

Corporate Confession of sin:

Almighty God, who has given us your only begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and was born of a pure virgin; grant that we being regenerate, and made your children by adoption and grace may be daily renewed in the Holy Spirit. We confess and bewail our manifold sins. We denounce them since we are no longer merely the Children of Adam but rather have been born from above, and united to our blessed Savior Jesus Christ. Turn us from serving self to loving as you have loved us. Turn us from greed to follow the self-denial of your Son. At this Christmas season, subdue us that we may demonstrate the love of Christ to all we meet. Through Christ your incarnate Son. Amen

Personal (silent)

Assurance of Pardon: 1 Jn 1:8-9

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

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: Rock of Ages #500

Confession of Faith: Westminster 8-5 p853

Song: His Name is Wonderful

His name is Wonderful, His name is Wonderful,
His name is Wonderful, Jesus my Lord;
He is the mighty King, Master of everything,
His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.

He's the great Shepherd, the Rock of all ages,
Almighty God is He;
Bow down before Him, love and adore Him,
His name is Wonderful, Jesus my Lord.

Pastoral Prayer

OT Reading: Isa 8:5-16

Psalter: Ps 95:1-6

O Come Let Us Sing to the Lord

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NT Responsive Reading: 1 Peter 2:1-10

So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy
and all slander.

**Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk,
that by it you may grow up into salvation--if indeed
you have tasted that the Lord is good.**

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the
sight of God chosen and precious,

**you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a
spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer
spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus
Christ.**

For it stands in Scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in
him will not be put to shame."

**So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who
do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected**

has become the cornerstone," and "A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Sermon: A Stone of Stumbling Romans 9:24-33
[Elder Matt Seufert]

Lord's Supper

Bread: Shepherd of Souls Refresh and Bless #424

Cup: Come to the Waters

Come to the waters whoever is thirsty
Drink from the fountain that never runs dry
Jesus the Living One offers you mercy
Life more abundant in boundless supply

Come to the river that flows through the city
Forth from the throne of the Father and Son
Jesus the Savior says, "Come and drink deeply."
Drink from the pure, inexhaustible One

Come to the Fountain without any money
Buy what is given without any cost.
Jesus the gracious One, welcomes the weary.
Jesus the selfless One died for the lost

Come to the Well of unmerited favor
Stretch out your hand; fill your cup to the brim.
Jesus is such a compassionate Savior.
Draw from the grace that flows freely from him.

Come to the Savior, the God of salvation.
God has provided an end to sin's strife.
Why will you suffer the Law's condemnation?
Take the free gift of the water of life.

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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