

March 6, 2022  
Welcome  
Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Ps 100:4-5

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Hymn: All People That on Earth Do Dwell  
Invocation

#1

The Law of Christ:

1 Peter 1:15-16

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

**Congregation: But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy."**

Corporate Confession of sin:

**Gracious Lord for all the blessings I have received, for the forgiveness of sins, for the abundance of goods I possess, I ought to be profoundly grateful and offer thanks to you at all times – But I do not. Rather I tend to grumble and complain. I covet and envy what others have. Clear away my understanding so that I can see with clear eyes the degree of your grace to me. Pardon my ingratitude. Make me a patient, loving, and thankful person – thankful especially for the blood of Jesus which cleanses me from all sin. Lord be merciful to me, a sinner, and forgive me for Jesus' sake. 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: My Hope Is in the Lord

#523

Confession of Faith: Apostles Creed:

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. The third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Song: Thy Word

Chorus: Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way  
still you're there right beside me.  
Nothing will I fear, as long as You are near.  
Please be with me to the end.

Chorus

I will not forget your love to me and yet,  
my heart forever is wandering.  
Jesus be my guide, hold me to your side,  
and I will love You to the end.

Chorus

Nothing will I fear, as long as You are near.  
Please be with me to the end.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.  
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.  
And a light unto my path; You're the light unto my path.

Pastoral Prayer

Gospel:

Matt 16

Psalter: Ps 130 From out the Depths I Cry O Lord to Thee

#552

Epistle: Romans 9:22-33

What if God, desiring to show his wrath and to make known his power, has endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, in order to make known the riches of his glory for vessels of mercy, which he has prepared beforehand for glory--  
**even us whom he has called, not from the Jews only but also from the Gentiles?**

As indeed he says in Hosea, "Those who were not my people I will call 'my people,' and her who was not beloved I will call 'beloved.'"

**"And in the very place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people,' there they will be called 'sons of the living God.'"**

And Isaiah cries out concerning Israel: "Though the number of the sons of Israel be as the sand of the sea, only a remnant of them will be saved, for the Lord will carry out his sentence upon the earth fully and without delay."

**And as Isaiah predicted, "If the Lord of hosts had not left us offspring, we would have been like Sodom and become like Gomorrah."**

What shall we say, then? That Gentiles who did not pursue righteousness have attained it, that is, a righteousness that is by faith;

**but that Israel who pursued a law that would lead to righteousness did not succeed in reaching that law.**

Why? Because they did not pursue it by faith, but as if it were based on works.

**They have stumbled over the stumbling stone, as it is written, "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."**

Sermon: Concluding Comments

2 Tim 4:9-22

Lord's Supper

Bread: Jesus Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

#646

Cup: HIS ROBES FOR MINE

His robes for mine: O wonderful exchange!  
Clothed in my sin, Christ suffered 'neath God's rage.  
Draped in His righteousness, I'm justified.  
In Christ I live, for in my place He died.

*Refrain:*

*I cling to Christ, and marvel at the cost:  
Jesus forsaken, God estranged from God.  
Bought by such love, my life is not my own.  
My praise-my all-shall be for Christ alone.*

His robes for mine: what cause have I for dread?  
God's daunting Law Christ mastered in my stead.  
Faultless I stand with righteous works not mine,  
Saved by my Lord's vicarious death and life.

*(Refrain)*

His robes for mine: God's justice is appeased.  
Jesus is crushed, and thus the Father's pleased.  
Christ drank God's wrath on sin, then cried "'Tis done!"  
Sin's wage is paid; propitiation won.  
(Refrain)

His robes for mine: such anguish none can know.  
Christ, God's beloved, condemned as though His foe.  
He, as though I, accursed and left alone;  
I, as though He, embraced and welcomed home!  
(Refrain)

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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