March 20, 2022 Welcome Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Psalm 150:1,2,6

Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens. Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness. Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD.

Hymn: Exalt the Lord His Praise Proclaim #12

Invocation

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."

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

## Corporate Confession of sin:

Great and holy God we could never stand before you by our own righteousness and merit; there is still too much desire for the world in us, and our love for you is both incomplete and insufficient. After all that you have done for us in Christ we still fall short on a daily basis. We need a Redeemer outside of ourselves. We need someone with perfect and complete righteousness to be our substitute. Thank you, for your only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus, who is our perfect redeemer. Blot out our sin and rebellion, and may our hearts be turned toward him and away from the world. We pray in the strong name of Jesus Christ our Lord. 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: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise #38

Confession of Faith: Westminster Chapter 2, Article 2 p 849

Song: Everlasting

Oh God our Redeemer
Our Savior our friend
Creator of the universe
Your goodness knows no end
And our voices join
With the thousands who
Know mercy because of the Cross
All sinners washed
In Your precious blood
Forever we will sing

From everlasting to everlasting Praise be to You From everlasting to everlasting Praise be to You Oh God

Oh God our Deliverer
And Lord of all grace
How can I stand in silence
When the heavens sing Your praise
And our voices join
With the thousands who
Know mercy because of the Cross
All sinners washed
In Your precious blood
Forever we will sing

Pastoral Prayer

Gospel: Matt 18

Psalter: Ps 130, From Out the Depths I Cry O Lord to Thee #552

Epistle: Romans 10:11-21

For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him.

For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed?

And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard?

And how are they to hear without someone preaching?

And how are they to preach unless they are sent?

As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"

But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?"

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

But I ask, have they not heard?

Indeed they have, for "Their voice has gone out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world."

But I ask, did Israel not understand?

First Moses says, "I will make you jealous of those who are not a nation; with a foolish nation I will make you angry."

Then Isaiah is so bold as to say, "I have been found by those who did not seek me; I have shown myself to those who did not ask for me."

But of Israel he says, "All day long I have held out my hands to a disobedient and contrary people."

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Sermon: The Likeness of the Glory of the Lord Ezekiel 1

Lord's Supper

Bread: Ah Holy Jesus How Hast Thou Offended

Cup: No Condemnation

No con-dem-na-tion now in Christ Je-sus!

Great con-so-la-tion—Je-sus has died!

Our sin laid on Him, full par-don gives us.

Look-ing by faith dim, we're jus-ti-fied!

With judg-ment sure, must God re-com-pense us?

He per-fect-ly just, what is our plea?

This: "Christ is for us! Who is a-gainst us?"

His blood shed for us par-dons, sets free!

In Him and through Him—Christ our De-fend-er!

Prai-ses all due Him, what mys-ter-y!

God in Christ dy-ing as the of-fend-er!

His blood sup-ply-ing our par-don free.

Christ the great sure-ty to those be-liev-ing;
He all the pur-ity God can de-mand
Right-eous-ness given—con-science re-liev-ing!
By blood for-giv-en, in Christ we stand!

To Christ all bles-sing, praise with-out mea-sure! In Him we're rest-ing, His peace made known. His all the la-bors—ours all the plea-sure! God's gra-cious fa-vors through Christ our own.

When there be-fore Him—then, in full glo-ry
We sing our new hymn, new prai-ses give;
"Twill be this old song, of Christ our glo-ry;
Through a-ges told long: "In Christ we live!"

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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