June 19, 2022 Welcome Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Psalm 117

Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol Him, all peoples!

For great is His steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

Praise the Lord!

Hymn: "From All That Dwell Below the Skies" #7

Invocation

The Law of Christ: WLC 134 & 136

Pastor: What is the 6th commandment? And what sins does it forbid?

Congregation: The 6th commandment is: You shall not kill.

The sins forbidden in the sixth commandment are: all taking away the life of ourselves or of others, except in case of public justice, lawful war, or necessary defense; and neglecting or withdrawing the lawful and necessary means of preservation of life; the commandment forbids sinful anger, hatred, envy, desire of revenge; all excessive passions and distracting cares; immoderate use of meat, drink, labor, and recreations; it forbids provoking words, oppression, quarreling, striking, wounding, and whatever else tends to the destruction of the life of any.

Pastor: Beloved we have not refrained from these as we should. Therefore, let us confess our sin:

Corporate Confession of Sin:

Lord God, source of all life, forgive us for not honoring life the way we should. Forgive us for not valuing ourselves and others the way we should. Forgive us for the pain we have inflicted by our thoughts, words, and actions; for harming ourselves with excessive passions, with overindulgence in food, drink, work, and play. Forgive us for harming others by our selfish, self-seeking, and destructive anger. for our hand and words in fighting, quarreling, bickering, and provoking, and for not treating others, especially those close to us, with the love we owe them. Lord God, forgive us our debts, as we have forgiven our debtors.

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!

Pastor: 1 John 2:1, 29; 5:12

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. If you know that He is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of Him. The one who has the Son has life.

Congregation: Lord Jesus Christ, you are our life, and in You we live. Thank you for causing us to be born again by your Holy Spirit so that we might live in Your love. Help us see and overcome the destruction we work to our bodies, our minds, and our hearts; strengthen us to pursue the good and thankful use of this world, rather than to abuse it; and animate us to pursue earnestly Your upbuilding and life-giving love and peace for those around us.

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: "Come Holy Spirit Heavenly Dove" #332

Confession of Faith: Westminster Confession of Faith 16.3

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The ability of Christians to do good works is not at all of themselves, but wholly from the Spirit of Christ. And that they may be enabled to do them, besides the graces they have already received, there is required an actual influence of the same Holy Spirit, to work in them to will and to do of His good pleasure; yet are they not hereupon to grow negligent, as if they were not bound to perform any duty, unless upon a special motion of the Spirit; but they ought to be diligent in stirring up the grace of God that is in them.

Hymn: "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" #334

Pastoral Prayer

Gospel: Matthew 26:31-56

Psalter: Ps 18 O Lord, I Love You, My Shield, My Tower #620

Epistle: Romans 15:24-32

At present, I am going to Jerusalem bringing aid to the saints. For Macedonia and Achaia have been pleased to make some contribution for the poor among the saints at Jerusalem.

For they were pleased to do it, and indeed they owe it to them.

For if the Gentiles have come to share in their spiritual blessings, they ought also to be of service to them in material blessings.

When therefore I have completed this, and have delivered to them what has been collected, I will leave for Spain by way of you. I know that when I come to you, I will come in the fullness of the blessing of Christ.

I appeal to you, brothers, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to strive together with me in your prayers to God on my behalf, that I may be delivered from the unbelievers in Judea, and that my service for Jerusalem may be acceptable to the saints,

so that by God's will I may come to you with joy, and be refreshed in your company. May the God of peace be with you all. Amen.

Sermon: God's Judgment and Grace Romans 11:7-10

Lord's Supper

Bread: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" #252 Cup: "Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed" #254

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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