July 10, 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: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God #92

Invocation

The Law of Christ: Gal 5:19-21 Pastor: The Apostle Paul summarized the moral law of God by saying,

Congregation: The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

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

Corporate Confession of sin:

Holy Father, ever since the fall that which comes naturally to us is not peace and patience, but rather seeking our own will. We interrupt peace, exercise impatience, demonstrate unjust anger and return evil for evil. You have given us opportunities to be gracious to others and we have ignored them. We desire to run our lives according to our own plan rather than according to your holy will. We are grievous sinners, and we know better. We have sinned willfully. We stand in need of grace. Hear this confession of our sin and deal with us according to your loving kindness and not as our sins deserve. Cleanse us by the Blood of Christ. Work in us by your Spirit to turn us from serving self to be instruments of grace and mercy in your hands so that we will be a blessing to others.

Personal (silent)

Assurance of Pardon: Ps 103:2-4

Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits--who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion,

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: O Lord, Thou Judge of All (Tune Germany #141) #49

Confession of Faith: Apostle's 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: 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 27:33-66

Psalter: Ps 127 Unless the Lord the House Shall Build #365

Epistle: 1 Cor 1:10-18

I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment.

For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers.

What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul,"

or "I follow Apollos,"

or "I follow Cephas,"

or "I follow Christ."

Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name.

(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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Sermon: The Siege of Jerusalem Ezk 24

Lord's Supper

Bread: Ah Holy Jesus How Hast Thou Offended

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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