

October 25, 2022
Welcome
Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Ps 68:26
Praise God in the great congregation; praise the LORD in the assembly

Hymn: My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less #521
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 confess our sin:

Corporate Confession of sin:

Merciful God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, we confess that we have sinned against you and against one another. We have broken your law in thought, word, and deed. We name the name of Christ, but we do not make his presence real in our lives. We pay lip service to your truth, but we fear the truth about ourselves. We sing of your grace, but we cling to illusions that keep us from experiencing your joy. We claim to live by faith, but we want to have our own way. We want to be free, but we avoid the discipline that would set us free. We lay claim to your promises in our need, but we feel little compassion for the needs of others. Thank you for the abundant mercy in Christ and your gracious forgiveness in him. Renew us we pray and grant us a new life of obedience through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Personal (silent)

Assurance of Pardon: Acts 10:43

All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

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: 1Pe 2:24-25

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.²⁵ For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Congregation: We give thanks to you, our blessed Lord, that in Christ's death we died to sin. Grant that we may live unto righteousness, and that we would delight in obedience to

you commands. Please, Holy Spirit, continue your work in us to cause us to reflect the image of Christ in all of our dealings.

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 Splendor of God's Glory Bright

#58

Confession of Faith: 39 Articles of Religion: *Of the Word or Son of God, which was made very Man.*

THE Son, which is the Word of the Father, begotten from everlasting of the Father, the very and eternal God, and of one substance with the Father, took Man's nature in the womb of the blessed Virgin, of her substance: so that two whole and perfect Natures, that is to say, the Godhead and Manhood, were joined together in one Person, never to be divided, whereof is one Christ, very God, and very Man; who truly suffered, was crucified, dead, and buried, to reconcile his Father to us, and to be a sacrifice, not only for original guilt, but also for actual sins of men.

Song: I then shall live.

I then shall live.

As one whose been forgiven.

I'll walk with joy to know my debts are paid.

I know my name is clear before my Father.

I am his child and I am not afraid.

So greatly pardoned I'll forgive my brother

The Law of love I gladly will obey

I then shall live

as one whose learned compassion.

I've been so loved

That I'll risk loving too.

I know how fear builds walls instead of bridges

I'll dare to see another's point of view

And when relationships demand commitment

Then I'll be there to care and follow through.

Your kingdom come around and through and in me

your power and glory, let them shine through me

Your hallowed name, Oh may I bear with honor

And may your living kingdom come in me

THE BREAD OF LIFE! Oh May I share with honor

And may you feed a hungry world through me

Pastoral Prayer

Gospel: Mark 9:30-50

Psalter: Ps 98 Come Let Us Sing unto the Lord

#16

Epistle: 1 Cor 10:13-24

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man.

God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry.

I speak as to sensible people; judge for yourselves what I say.

The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ?

The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ?

Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

Consider the people of Israel: are not those who eat the sacrifices participants in the altar?

What do I imply then? That food offered to idols is anything, or that an idol is anything?

No, I imply that what pagans sacrifice they offer to demons and not to God.

I do not want you to be participants with demons.

You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons.

You cannot partake of the table of the Lord and the table of demons.

Shall we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than he?

"All things are lawful," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful," but not all things build up.

Let no one seek his own good, but the good of his neighbor.

Sermon: Don't Be Deceived James 1:16-18

Lord's Supper

Bread: Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

#500

Cup: Under the blood of Jesus

Under the blood of Jesus

Safe in the Shepherd's fold

Under the blood of Jesus

Safe while the ages roll

Safe though worlds may crumble

Safe though the stars grow dim

Under the blood of Je – sus

I am secure in Him.

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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