

May 7, 2023  
Welcome  
Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Psalm 29:1-2

Ascribe to the LORD, O mighty ones, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.

Hymn: Praise My Soul the King of Heaven  
Invocation

#76

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:

**Great and Glorious God, we have robbed you. We rob you of your glory, we rob you of time and we rob your resources. We have lied to you by pledging our lives to you and then living as we please. We have undermined the progress of your kingdom by listening to your enemy who desires our destruction. We have not sought your Kingdom first and therefore the things added to us are shallow and dissatisfying. We have not loved others as you have loved us. Have mercy on us O, Lord! We need a Savior! We thank you there is such a one in the person of your dear Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. May his heart beat within us; and may we long after his righteousness. Please renew us and build our faith, that we may be conformed to the image of him who died and rose again for us, we pray in the strong and powerful name of our Great King and Savior, Jesus the Christ 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!**

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)**

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.<sup>25</sup> 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.**

Hymn: What a Friend We Have in Jesus

#629

Confession of Faith: *3<sup>rd</sup> stanza of the Te Deum Laudamus*  
*a 4<sup>th</sup> century Latin hymn*

You are the King of Glory, O Christ.  
You are the Everlasting Son of the Father.  
When you took upon yourself to deliver mankind,  
You humbled yourself to be born of a virgin.  
When you overcame the sharpness of death,  
You opened the Kingdom of heaven to all who believe.  
You sit at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.  
We believe that you shall come to be our judge.  
We therefore pray: help your servants whom  
you have redeemed with your most precious blood.  
Make them to be numbered with your Saints,  
in glory everlasting.

Song: There Is a Redeemer

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
Ho - ly One.

Chorus:        Thank you, oh, my Father,  
                  For giving us Your Son,  
                  and leaving Your Spirit 'til  
                  The work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, Name above all names,  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
Hope for sinners slain.

Chorus

When I stand in Glory, I will see His face.

There I'll serve my King forever,  
In that holy place.

Chorus

Pastoral Prayer

Gospel: Luke 9:1-27

Psalter: Ps 45:1-10 My Heart Does Overflow

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Epistle: 2 Cor 7:1-7

Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, bringing holiness to completion in the fear of God.

Make room in your hearts for us.

**We have wronged no one, we have corrupted no one, we have taken advantage of no one.**

I do not say this to condemn you, for I said before that you are in our hearts, to die together and to live together.

**I am acting with great boldness toward you; I have great pride in you; I am filled with comfort.**

In all our affliction, I am overflowing with joy. For even when we came into Macedonia, our bodies had no rest, but we were afflicted at every turn--fighting without and fear within.

**But God, who comforts the downcast, comforted us by the coming of Titus, and not only by his coming but also by the comfort with which he was comforted by you, as he told us of your longing, your mourning, your zeal for me, so that I rejoiced still more.**

Sermon: Knows the Good James 4:16-17

Lord's Supper

Bread: My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

#521

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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