June 18, 2023 Welcome Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Rom 15:9-11

"Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name."

¹⁰ And again it is said, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people."

¹¹ And again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him."

Hymn: Amazing Grace #460

Invocation

The Law of Christ: Eph 4:25-32

Pastor: The Apostle Paul summarized the moral law of God by saying,

Congregation: Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to his neighbor, for we are all members of one body. "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold. He who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with his own hands, that he may have something to share with those in need. Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 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: - General Confession from the Book of Common Prayer

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things, which we ought to have done, and we have done those things, which we ought not to have done. Lord, have mercy on us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may, from this time onward, live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

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!

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: Titus 2:13-14

The Savior Jesus Christ gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

Congregation: Lord Jesus Christ, thank you for coming into this world to redeem us from sin and lawlessness; purify us more and more and increase our zeal to walk in Your law and do good works by the power of your Holy Spirit and faith in You. Amen.

Hymn: O Lord I Love You, My Shield, My Tower #620

Confession of Faith: Shorter Catechism Q32-35 p871-2

Song: The Wonder of Your Mercy, Lord

Chorus:

The wonder of your mercy, Lord The beauty of your grace; That you would even pardon me And bring me to this place. I stand before your holiness, I can only stand amazed. The sinless Savior died to make A Covenant of Grace.

I only want to serve you,
Bring honor to your name,
And though I've often failed you,
Your faithfulness remains.
I'll glory in my weakness,
That I might know your strength;
I will live my life at the cross of Christ
And raise a banner to proclaim

Chorus

You welcome us before you,
Into this holy place,
The brilliance of your glory
Demands our endless praise.
The one and only Savior
Has opened heaven's doors;
We can enter in free from all our sin,

By your cleansing sacrifice.

Chorus

Pastoral Prayer

Gospel: Luke 12:1-21

Psalter: Ps 100 All People That on Earth Do Dwell #1

Epistle: 2 Cor 10:12-18

Not that we dare to classify or compare ourselves with some of those who are commending themselves.

But when they measure themselves by one another and compare themselves with one another, they are without understanding.

But we will not boast beyond limits, but will boast only with regard to the area of influence God assigned to us, to reach even to you.

For we are not overextending ourselves, as though we did not reach you.

For we were the first to come all the way to you with the gospel of Christ. We do not boast beyond limit in the labors of others.

But our hope is that as your faith increases, our area of influence among you may be greatly enlarged, so that we may preach the gospel in lands beyond you, without boasting of work already done in another's area of influence.

"Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

For it is not the one who commends himself who is approved, but the one whom the Lord commends.

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Sermon: Be Transformed by Your Mind Rom. 12:2

[Licentiate, RE Matt Seufert]

Lord's Supper

Bread: Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands

Cup: Selected Scripture

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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