May 12, 2024 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: Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah Invocation #598

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: From the Book of Common Prayer

Most merciful God, you are of purer eyes than to look on iniquity, and have promised forgiveness to all those who confess and forsake their sins; We come before you in a humble sense of our own unworthiness, acknowledging our many sins. O gracious Father, who does not desire the death of a sinner, look upon us in mercy, as we acknowledge all our sins. Make us deeply aware of the great evil of them, and work in us a heartfelt contrition; for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, our only Savior and Redeemer. Amen

Personal (silent)

Assurance of Pardon: Leviticus 16:30 On that day, the priest shall make atonement for you, to cleanse you, that you may be clean from all your sins before the Lord.

Congregation: We give praise to God who has atoned for our sins and cleansed us from them all.

Pastor: How has He made atonement for you?

Congregation: He has placed our sins on the Lamb of God, who was slain for us. All: Praise and glory be to God the Father, Christ the Lamb, and the Holy Spirit.

Pastor: 1 Cor 6:19-20

Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, ²⁰ for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

Congregation: Holy Lord God, hear our words of thanks for sending us your Spirit, and that he now resides in us. Help us to follow him in all our thoughts, words, and actions, so that we would live to your glory. May He cause the love of Christ to shine forth from us. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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: Hymn: None Other Lamb, None Other Name

Confession of Faith: Shorter Catechism in Modern English
Q. 45. Which is the first commandment?
The first commandment is: You shall have no other gods before me.[a]
Q. 46. What is required in the first commandment?
The first commandment requires us to know and acknowledge God to be the only true God and our God; and to worship and glorify him accordingly.^[a]

Q. 47. What is forbidden in the first commandment?

The first commandment forbids the denial of,^[a] or failure to worship and glorify, the true God as God^[b] and our God;^[c] and it forbids giving that worship and glory to any other which is due to God alone.^[d]

Q. 48. What do the words "before me" in the first commandment teach us? These words "before me" in the first commandment teach us that God, who sees all things, takes notice of and is much displeased with the sin of having any other God.^[a]

Song: Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks unto the Holy One. Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. Repeat

And now let the weak say, "I am strong!" Let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" Give thanks.

Pastoral Prayer

Gospel: John 13:1-19

Psalter: Ps 13 How Long Wilt Thou Forget Me

Epistle: Col 1:19-29

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him,

if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

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Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church,

of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints.

To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

Sermon: Walk as Jesus Did 1 John 2:3-6

Lord's Supper

Bread: My Jesus I Love Thee Cup: His Robes for Mine

His robes for mine: O wonderful exchange! Clothed in my sin, Christ suffered 'neath God's rage. Draped in His righteousness, I'm justified. In Christ I live, for in my place He died.

Refrain:

I cling to Christ, and marvel at the cost: Jesus forsaken, God estranged from God. Bought by such love, my life is not my own. My praise-my all-shall be for Christ alone.

His robes for mine: what cause have I for dread? God's daunting Law Christ mastered in my stead. Faultless I stand with righteous works not mine, Saved by my Lord's vicarious death and life. (*Refrain*)

His robes for mine: God's justice is appeased. Jesus is crushed, and thus the Father's pleased. Christ drank God's wrath on sin, then cried "'Tis done!" Sin's wage is paid; propitiation won. (*Refrain*)

His robes for mine: such anguish none can know. Christ, God's beloved, condemned as though His foe. He, as though I, accursed and left alone; I, as though He, embraced and welcomed home! (*Refrain*)

Offering: Doxology: #648

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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