

June 9, 2024
Welcome
Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Psalm 111:1-3

Praise the LORD. I will extol the LORD with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly. Great are the works of the LORD; they are pondered by all who delight in them. Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever.

Hymn: Join All that Glorious Names
Invocation

#301

The Law of Christ:

Gal 5:13-15

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

Congregation: You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love. The entire law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other. So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

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

Corporate Confession of sin: *From the 1585 Reformed Liturgy of the Palatinate.*

I, a poor sinner, acknowledge before you, my God and Creator, that I have terribly and in many ways sinned against you, not only outwardly, but much more with inward blindness, unbelief, doubts, despondency, impatience, pride, covetousness, envy, hatred, malice, and other sinful affections, as you, my Lord and God, know well, and I cannot deeply enough deplore. But I repent of these things, and am sorry for them, and heartily ask you for mercy, for the sake of your beloved Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

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 the abundance of His blessings. For His forgiveness of all our sins.

Pastor: What has He done with your sins?

Congregation: He has trampled them underfoot at the cross of Christ (Micah 7:19).

All: Praise and glory be to God our Father, Christ our Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Healer.

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: The Church's One Foundation

#347

Confession of Faith: Shorter Catechism in Modern English

Q. 49. Which is the second commandment?

The second commandment is: You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to thousands who love me and keep my commandments.

Q. 50. What are the duties required in the second commandment?

The second commandment requires us to receive, observe, and keep pure and entire all such religious worship and ordinances as God has appointed in his Word.

Q. 51. What is forbidden in the second commandment?

The second commandment forbids the worship of God by images, or any other way not appointed in his Word.

Q. 52. What are the reasons attached to the second commandment?

The reasons attached to the second commandment are God's authority as our lawgiver, the fact that we belong to him, and the zeal he has for his own worship.

Song: O Great God

O great God of highest heaven
Occupy my lowly heart
Own it all and reign supreme
Conquer every rebel power
Let no vice or sin remain
That resists Your holy war
You have loved and purchased me
Make me Yours forevermore

I was blinded by my sin
Had no ears to hear Your voice
Did not know Your love within
Had no taste for heaven's joys
Then Your Spirit gave me life
Opened up Your Word to me
Through the gospel of Your Son
Gave me endless hope and peace

Help me now to live a life
That's dependent on Your grace
Keep my heart and guard my soul
From the evils that I face
You are worthy to be praised
With my every thought and deed
O great God of highest heaven
Glorify Your Name through me

Pastoral Prayer

Gospel: John 16

Psalter: Ps 150 Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

#10

Epistle: Col 3:11- 17

Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another

and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other;
as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body.

And be thankful.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Sermon: Children, Fathers, Young Men 1 John 2:12-14

Lord's Supper

Bread: A Debtor to Mercy Alone

#463

Cup: 'Tis Finished' The Messiah Dies

'Tis finished! The Messiah dies.
Cut off for sins, but not His own
Accomplished is the sacrifice,
The great redeeming work is done.
'Tis finished! all the debt is paid:
Justice divine is satisfied;
The grand and full atonement made;
God for a guilty world hath died.

The veil is rent in Christ alone:
The living way to Heaven is seen,
The middle wall is broken down,
And all mankind may enter in.

The types and figures are fulfilled;
Exacted is the legal pain:
The precious promises are sealed.
The spotless Lamb of God is slain.

The reign of sin and death is o'er,
And all may live from sin set free,-
Satan hath lost his mortal power.
'Tis swallowed up in victory.
Saved from the legal curse I am,
My Savior hangs on yonder tree'
See there the meek, expiring Lamb'
'Tis finished! He expires for me.

Accepted in the Well-beloved.
And clothed in righteousness divine.
I see the bar to heaven removed:
And all Thy merits, Lord. are mine.
Death, hell. and sin are now subdued:
All grace is now to sinners given.
And lo, I plead the atoning blood,
And in Thy right I claim Thy Heaven'

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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