

November 10, 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: Lead On O King Eternal

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Invocation

The Law of Christ:

Gal 5:19-21

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

Congregation: The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

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

Corporate Confession of sin:

Gracious Lord you have loved us supremely in Christ. You have graciously provided for us in every way by your sovereign mercy. But we are prone to complaining and grumbling against your providence and against one another. We are quick to find fault rather than offer thanks. By this we show a basic self-centeredness. We do not love you and our neighbor as we are commanded to do, but rather we love our own peace, pleasure, and comfort. Forgive our ingratitude, our fussing and grumbling about our lot in life. Turn our hearts to rejoice in your goodness and in the glorious salvation we have in Christ. May he be the main focus of our lives and service to him be our primarily motivation for all things. Through Christ our only Savior and Redeemer Amen

Personal (silent)

Assurance of Pardon: 1 John 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 who is faithful and just. Who has forgiven our sins and cleansed us of unrighteousness.

Pastor: How pure has the blood of Christ made you?

Congregation: Although our sins were like crimson, they are as white as wool (Isa 1:18).

All: **Praise and glory be to God the Father, Christ the Son, and the Holy Spirit the Lord.**

Pastor: Rom 6:6-8

We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸ Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

Congregation: O Lord, thank you that in your crucifixion we too died to sin. We thank you for freeing us from sin. Grant us your grace that we will live to your glory and grow in works that honor your name. 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: My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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Confession of Faith: Shorter Catechism in Modern English

Q. 76. Which is the ninth commandment?

The ninth commandment is: You shall not give false testimony against your neighbour.^[a]

Q. 77. What is required in the ninth commandment?

The ninth commandment requires us to maintain and promote truth between men, and our own and our neighbour's good name,^[a] especially when called upon to bear witness.^[b]

Q. 78. What is forbidden in the ninth commandment?

The ninth commandment forbids whatever misrepresents truth, or is injurious to our own or our neighbour's good name.^[a]

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: Acts 8:18-40

Psalter: Psalter: Ps 10:10-18 (Tune Communion #428)

The hapless one he crushes, tramples down,
When he has made him fall beneath his might.
In his heart he thinks, God has forgotten this;
He hid His face, so He will never see."

Arise, O LORD! O God, lift up Your hand!
Forget not those who have afflicted been.
Why does the wicked proudly scoff at God
And say in heart, "He'll never take account"?

You see! You note disorder and distress.
That You may take it all into Your hands.
The hapless may commit himself to You;
You are the helper of the fatherless.

O break the wicked, evildoer's arm!
Seek out his wickedness till You find none.
The LORD is king through all eternity;
The heathen nations perish from His land.

You hear, O LORD, the longing of the meek;
Their heart You strengthen; You incline Your ear.
Do justice to oppressed and fatherless.
That man of earth may terrify no more.

Epistle: 1 Tim 2:8-15

I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling;
**likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty
and self-control,**

not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, but with what is proper for women who profess
godliness--with good works.

Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness.

I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather, she is to remain quiet.

For Adam was formed first, then Eve;

and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor.

**Yet she will be saved through childbearing--if they continue in faith and love and holiness,
with self-control.**

Sermon: Paul's Desires Romans 15:22-33

[Licentiate, RE Matt Seufert]

Lord's Supper

Bread: Beneath the Cross of Jesus
Cup: There Is a Redeemer

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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

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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