February 16, 2025 Welcome Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Psalm 106:1-2 Praise the LORD. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. Who can proclaim the mighty acts of the LORD or fully declare his praise?

Hymn: Praise My Soul the King of Heaven Invocation

The Law of Christ:

Rom 12:10-18 Pastor: The Apostle Paul summarized the moral law of God by saying,

Congregation: Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eves of everybody. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

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Corporate Confession of sin: Adapted from The Broken Heart – The Valley of Vision O, LORD, No day of my life has passed that has not proved me guilty in your sight. Pravers have been uttered from a prayerless heart; Praise has been often a praiseless sound. Blessed Jesus, let me find a hiding place in your appeasing wounds. Though my sins rise to heaven your merits soar above them; though my unrighteousness weighs me down to hell, your righteousness exalts me to your Father's throne. All things in me call for my rejection, all things in you plead for my acceptance. Keep me always clinging to your cross. Flood me, I beg you, every moment with descending grace. Through Christ our only Savior, Amen

Personal (silent)

Assurance of Pardon: Hebrews 10:12, 14

When Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God. For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

Congregation: We give praise to God who has made us perfect before Him.

Pastor: How has He made you perfect?

Congregation: By Christ's single sacrifice for all my sins.

All: Praise and glory be to God our Father, Christ our High Priest, and the Holy Spirit our Witness.

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. <sup>7</sup> For one who has died has been set free from sin.<sup>8</sup> Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

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## 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: Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

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Confession of Faith: Shorter Catechism in Modern English

Q. 91. How do the sacraments become effective means of salvation? The sacraments become effective means of salvation not because of any power in them or in him who administers them, but only by the blessing of Christ and the working of his Spirit in those who receive them in faith.<sup>[a]</sup>

Q. 92. What is a sacrament?

A sacrament is a holy ordinance appointed by Christ,<sup>[a]</sup> by which, by visible signs, Christ, and the benefits of the new covenant, are represented, sealed and applied to believers.<sup>[b]</sup>

Q. 93. Which are the sacraments of the New Testament?

The sacraments of the New Testament are, two only, Baptism,<sup>[a]</sup> and the Lord's Supper,<sup>[b]</sup> /and these take the place of Circumcision and the Passover in the Old Testament./

Song: All That We Need

You have become for us wisdom. You have become for us righteousness. You have become our salvation. You have become all our holiness.

Chorus: All that we need is found in You. Oh, all that we need is in You. All that we need is found in You. You are our all in all. You have become our all in all.

You have become our provision. In union with You we have victory. In You we have died and have risen, And You are our great hope of glory.

Chorus

Pastoral Prayer

Gospel: Acts 16:19-40

Psalter: Ps 21: (Tune Forrest Green #119)
The king in Thy great strength, O LORD,
Shall very joyful be;
And in Thy saving help he shall
Rejoice most fervently.
For Thou upon him hast bestowed
All that his heart would have;
And Thou from him didst not withhold
Whate'er, his lips did crave.

For Thou wilt meet him with Thy gifts Of blessings manifold, And Thou hast set upon his head A crown of purest gold. When he requested life of Thee, Thou life to him didst give; Such length of days Thou gavest him He evermore should live.

In Thy salvation he is great, And glorified is he; And Thou upon him hast bestowed Most glorious majesty. For Thou wilt ever set on him The blessings of Thy grace, And Thou wilt cause him to be filled With joy before Thy face.

Epistle: 2 Tim 2:1-10

You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him.

An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops.

Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything. Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound!

## Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

Sermon: Deborah & Barak Judges 4

Lord's Supper Bread: Not Worthy Lord Cup: Before the Throne Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea A great High Priest whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me My name is graven on his hands, My name is written on His heart. I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see him there, Who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free. For God the Just is satisfied, to look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the Risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness, The great unchangeable I AM, the King of Glory and of Grace. One with himself I cannot die. My soul is purchased by His blood, My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God, With Christ my Savior and my God.

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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