March 9, 2025 Welcome Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Psalm 34:1-3 I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips. My soul will boast in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice. Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.

Hymn: My Hope Is in the Lord

Invocation

The Law of Christ:Col 3:8-9Pastor:The Apostle Paul summarized the moral law of God by saying,Congregation:But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice,slander, and filthy language from your lips.Do not lie to each other, since you have taken offyour old self with its practices.

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

Corporate Confession of sin:

Lord you have declared your judgment and your hatred of sin. And you have punished sin in your own Son on the Cross. We are the recipients of a glorious redemption in Christ, but yet we sin. We do things that the world does. We do things that deserve judgment. We confess that we are still sinners even though purchased in the blood of Christ. We have even given our approval to the sin of others. We are guilty.

We pray that you will always regard us as righteous in Christ and that your justice will be satisfied in him. We ask for a powerful influence of your Spirit that would renew us and conform us to the image of your Son who died for us in whose name we pray, 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: John 3:17-21

¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸ Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹ And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. ²⁰ For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. ²¹ But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God."

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Congregation: We give thanks to you, Heavenly Father, for sending your Son into this world to be the Light to us. We pray that we will live according to that light and do things that are true, thereby and demonstrating that you are at work in us by your Holy Spirit. 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: Unto the Lord Jehovah Said (Ps 110)

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Confession of Faith:

Q. 95. To whom is Baptism to be administered?

Baptism is not to be administered to any outside membership of the church on earth, until they profess their faith in Christ and obedience to him;^[a] but infants descending from parents (one or both) professing faith in Christ and obedience to him, /are, for that reason, within the covenant and/ are to be baptised.^[b]

The Lord's Supper – Questions 96-97

Q. 96. What is the Lord's Supper?

The Lord's Supper is a sacrament in which, by giving and receiving bread and wine according to Christ's appointment, his death is proclaimed,^[a] and those who receive rightly are by faith (and not by the mouth in a physical manner) made partakers of his body and blood, with all his benefits, to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.^[b]

Q. 97. What is required to receive rightly the Lord's Supper?

It is required of those who would receive rightly the Lord's Supper, that they examine themselves as to their knowledge of the meaning and object of this sacrament, their faith to feed upon Christ, and their repentance, love and new obedience; for coming in an unworthy manner would bring judgement on themselves.^[a]

Song: Be Unto Your Name

We are a moment, You are forever. Lord of the ages God before time We are a vapor, You are Eternal Love everlasting reigning on high

Chorus: Holy, holy Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Highest praises, honor and glory Be unto Your name; Be unto Your name

We are the broken, You are the Healer Jesus, Redeemer, Mighty to save

You are the love song we'll sing forever Bowing before You blessing Your name. (Chorus) Pastoral Prayer Gospel: Acts 18:18-28 Psalter: Ps 23 The Lord's My Shepherd Epistle: 2 Tim 3:1-11 But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. Avoid such people. For among them are those who creep into households and capture weak women, burdened with sins and led astray by various passions, always learning and never able to arrive at a knowledge of the truth. Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so these men also oppose the truth, men corrupted in mind and disqualified regarding the faith. But they will not get very far, for their folly will be plain to all, as was that of those two men. You, however, have followed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, my persecutions and sufferings that happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystrawhich persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. Sermon: David's Lord Ps 110 [Licentiate, RE Matt Seufert] Lord's Supper Bread: Shepherd of Souls Refresh and Bless Cup: Amazing Love My Lord, what love is this, that pays so dearly That I, the guilty one may go free?

Chorus: Amazing love, O what sacrifice! The Son of God, giv'n for me. My debt He pays, and my death He dies That I might live, that I might live.

And so, they watched him die, despised, rejected. But O, the blood He shed flowed for me.

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Chorus

And now, this love of Christ shall flow like rivers. Come wash your guilt away...live again!

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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