

November 9, 2025
Welcome
Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Ps 68:26
Praise God in the great congregation; praise the LORD in the assembly

Hymn: For the Beauty of the Earth
Invocation

#116

The Law of Christ:

1Peter 3:8-11

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

Congregation: Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble. Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult, but with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing. For, "Whoever would love life and see good days must keep his tongue from evil and his lips from deceitful speech. He must turn from evil and do good; he must seek peace and pursue it.

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: Col 2:13

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our trespasses.

Congregation: We give praise to God who has liberated us from our trespasses.

Pastor: How has He freed you from your trespasses?

Congregation: He has canceled the record of debt that stood against us, having crucified it in Christ at the cross (Col 2:14).

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

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: What Tho' I Cannot Break My Chain

#458

Confession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q 9

9. Q. Is God, then, not unjust by requiring in His law what man cannot do?

A. No, for God so created man that he was able to do it.[1] But man, at the instigation of the devil,[2] in deliberate disobedience[3] robbed himself and all his descendants of these gifts.[4]

Song: The Glorious Impossible

Love has come to walk on water
Turn the water into wine
Touch the leper, bless the children
Love both human and divine

Praise the wisdom of the Father
Who has spoken through His Son
Speaking still, He calls us to
The Glorious Im - poss - ible

Halle lu jah
Halle lu jah
Halle lu jah
Glorious Impossible

He was bruised for our transgressions
And He bears e - ter - nal scars
He was raised for our salvation
And His righteousness is ours

Praise, oh praise Him, praise the glory
Of this lavish grace so full
Lift your souls now and receive the
Glorious Impossible!

Halle lu jah
Halle lu jah
Halle lu jah
Glorious Impossible

Pastoral Prayer

Gospel: Matt 12:1-24

Psalter: Ps 57 (Tune Turo #73)

Thy mercy, God, to me extend;
On Thy protection I depend,
And to Thy wings for shelter haste
Until this storm be overpast.

To Him I will in trouble cry,
The sovereign Judge and God most high,
Who wonders hath for me begun,
And will not leave His work undone.

For He from heav'n shall quell the power
Of him who would my life devour;
Forth shall His truth and mercy send,
And my distracted soul defend.

For I with cru-el men converse,
Like hungry lions wild and fierce;
With men whose teeth are spears, their words
Envenomed darts and two-edg'd swords.

Epistle: Heb 11:1-7

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

For by it the people of old received their commendation.

By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts.

And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks.

By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him.

Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God.

⁶ And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household.

By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

Sermon: Salvation from Sin by Grace
[Licentiate, RE Matt Seufert]

Eph 2:1-10

Lord's Supper
Bread: O Jesus We Adore Thee

#225

Cup: He Looked Beyond My Fault

Amazing grace shall always be my song of praise,
For it was grace that bought my liberty.
I do not know just why He came to love me so;
He looked beyond my fault and saw my need.

Chorus: I shall forever lift my eyes to Calvary,
To view the cross where Jesus died for me.
How marvelous the grace that caught my falling soul.
He looked beyond my fault and saw my need.

How can it be that Christ has paid my ransom?
How can it be He bled and died for me?
I do not know just how He came to love me so;
He looked beyond my fault and saw my need.

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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