

July 19, 2026
Welcome
Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Ps 100:4-5

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.
For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Hymn: My Faith Has Found a Resting Place
Invocation

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The Law of Christ: The Law of Christ:

Col 3:12-15

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

Congregation: Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

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: 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 Counselor.

Pastor: Colossians 3:1

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

Congregation: We praise you for the position we have in Christ. We pray that our lives will reflect him in all we do. Thank you that in Christ we too have died to sin. Help us to set our minds on the heavenly things so that we would love you above all and our neighbors as ourselves.

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 Day of Resurrection

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Confession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism #43

Q. What further benefit do we receive from Christ's sacrifice and death on the cross?

A. Through Christ's death our old nature is crucified, put to death, and buried with Him, so that the evil desires of the flesh may no longer reign in us, but that we may offer ourselves to Him as a sacrifice of thankfulness.

Song: Come to the Waters

Come to the waters whoever is thirsty
Drink from the fountain that never runs dry
Jesus the Living One offers you mercy
Life more abundant in boundless supply

Come to the river that flows through the city
Forth from the throne of the Father and Son
Jesus the Savior says, "Come and drink deeply."
Drink from the pure, inexhaustible One

Come to the Fountain without any money
Buy what is given without any cost.
Jesus the gracious One, welcomes the weary.
Jesus the selfless One died for the lost

Come to the Well of unmerited favor
Stretch out your hand; fill your cup to the brim.
Jesus is such a compassionate Savior.
Draw from the grace that flows freely from him.

Come to the Savior, the God of salvation.
God has provided an end to sin's strife.
Why will you suffer the Law's condemnation?
Take the free gift of the water of life.

Pastoral Prayer

Gospel: Mark 8:22-38

Psalter: Ps 71 (Tune St Christopher, #251)

O LORD! in Thee I'm trusting;
Ashamed let me not be;
O save me in Thy righteousness,
Give ear, and rescue me.
Be Thou my rock, my dwelling place,
My constant safe resort.
Thou my salvation hast ordained,
Thou art my rock and fort.

From wicked hands, God, free me,
Hands cru-el and unjust;
Thou, Lord Jehovah, art my hope;
From youth 'Thou art my trust.
For I have been sustained by Thee
Through birth and early days;
Brought from my mother's womb by Thee,
I'll give Thee constant praise.

To many I'm a wonder;
Thou art my refuge strong.
My mouth is brimming with Thy praise
And honor all day long.
Do not reject me in the time
When old age I shall see;
And in my days of failing strength
Do not abandon me

Epistle: 1 Peter 3:1-8

Likewise, wives, be subject to your own husbands, so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives, when they see your respectful and pure conduct.

Do not let your adorning be external--the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear--

but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God's sight is very precious.

For this is how the holy women who hoped in God used to adorn themselves, by submitting to their own husbands, as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord.

And you are her children, if you do good and do not fear anything that is frightening.

Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered.

Finally, all of you, have unity of mind,

sympathy,

brotherly love,

a tender heart, and a humble mind.

Sermon: Paul Before the Sanhedrin

Acts 22:30-23:11

Lord's Supper

Bread: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Cup: I Will Boast in the Cross

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God did not call us because we were wise
Or gifted with riches and might
His chosen ones are the weak in this world
Who hope in His all saving name,
That He might receive all the praise.

Chorus

So I will boast in the cross of Christ
And I will glory in Jesus and His sacrifice.
I will boast in the cross of Christ.
It is the power; it is the wisdom of God
And my great ransom, the cross of Christ.

Great is the mystery of God's sovereign ways
That flow from the depths of His grace.
That He would give up His one precious Son
To bear all the cost of my sin,
Is a wonder I can't comprehend.
(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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