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MARK 12:1

We gather to worship Jesus Christ, the Stone which the builders rejected.

Preparatory Hymn "How Firm A Foundation"

Welcome

Scriptural Call to Worship Psalm 118:21-24

Prayer of Praise

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Hymn "Hark! I Hear The Harps Eternal"

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Hymn "Jesus Paid It All"

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Moment of Silent Reflection

PREPARATORY HYMN: HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

1. How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
 2. "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed,
 3. "When thro' fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,
 4. "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose

Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
 My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
 I will not, I will not de - sert to his foes;

What more can He say than to you He hath said,
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 The flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
 That soul, tho' all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

To you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 Thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake!"

SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 118:21-24

I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

PRAYER OF PRAISE

NOTHING BUT THE BLOOD

1. What can wash a - way my sin? Noth - ing but the blood of Je - sus;
2. For my par - don, this I see, Noth - ing but the blood of Je - sus;
3. Noth - ing can for sin a - tone, Noth - ing but the blood of Je - sus;
4. This is all my hope and peace, Noth - ing but the blood of Je - sus;

What can make me whole a - gain? Noth - ing but the blood of Je - sus.
For my cleans - ing, this my plea, Noth - ing but the blood of Je - sus.
Naught of good that I have done, Noth - ing but the blood of Je - sus.
This is all my righ - teous - ness, Noth - ing but the blood of Je - sus.

Oh! pre - cious is the flow That makes me white as snow;

No oth - er fount I know, Noth - ing but the blood of Je - sus.

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HARK I HEAR THE HARPS ETERNAL

1. Hark, I hear the harps e - ter - nal, ring - ing
 2. And my soul, though stain'd with sor - row, fad - ing
 3. Some have cross'd be - fore us safe - ly to that
 4. Might - y Je - sus, bear us o - ver, there to

on the far - ther shore, As I near those swol - len
 as the light of day, Pas - ses swift - ly o'er those
 land of per - fect rest. Can you hear them sing - ing
 kneel be - fore thy throne. May we join Thy saints for -

wat - ers, with their deep and sol - emn roar.
 wat - ers to that ci - ty far a - way.
 faint - ly in the man - sions of the blest?
 e - ver prais - ing Thee, and Thee a - lone:

Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le -

lu - jah, praise the Lamb. Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le -

lu - jah, glo - ry to the great I AM!

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SCRIPTURE READING

ISAIAH 5:1-7

- 5** Let me sing for my beloved
my love song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.
- ² He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
and he looked for it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.
- ³ And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem
and men of Judah,
judge between me and my vineyard.
- ⁴ What more was there to do for my vineyard,
that I have not done in it?
When I looked for it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?
- ⁵ And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.
- ⁶ I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and briars and thorns shall grow up;
I will also command the clouds

that they rain no rain upon it.

⁷ For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the men of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
and he looked for justice,
but behold, bloodshed;
for righteousness,
but behold, an outcry!

SCRIPTURE READING

MATTHEW 22:1-14

22 And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ² “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³ and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, ‘See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.’” ⁵ But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷ The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ ¹⁰ And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ “But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹² And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ISAIAH 1:18

“Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD:
though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.

I HEAR THE WORDS OF LOVE

1. I hear the words of love, I gaze up - on the blood, I
2. 'Tis e - ver - last - ing peace! Sure as Je - ho - vah's Name; 'Tis
3. The clouds may come and go, And storms may sweep my sky This
4. My love is oft - times low, My joy still ebbs and flows; But
5. I change, He chan - ges not, The Christ can ne - ver die; His

see the might - y sac - ri - fice And I have peace with God.
sta - ble as His stead - fast throne, For e - ver - more the same.
blood-seal'd friend-ship chan - ges not: The cross is e - ver nigh.
peace with Him re - mains the same No change Je - ho - vah knows.
love, not mine, the rest - ing place, His truth, not mine, the tie.

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SERMON

THE PARABLE OF THE TENANTS

MARK 12:1-12

12 And he began to speak to them in parables. “A man planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a pit for the winepress and built a tower, and leased it to tenants and went into another country. ² When the season came, he sent a servant to the tenants to get from them some of the fruit of the vineyard. ³ And they took him and beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ⁴ Again he sent to them another servant, and they struck him on the head and treated him shamefully. ⁵ And he sent another, and him they killed. And so with many others: some they beat, and some they killed. ⁶ He had still one other, a beloved son. Finally he sent him to them, saying, “They will respect my son.” ⁷ But those tenants said to one another, “This is the heir. Come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.” ⁸ And they took him and killed him and threw him out of the vineyard. ⁹ What will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and destroy the tenants and give the vineyard to others. ¹⁰ Have you not read this Scripture:

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
¹¹ this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes?”

¹² And they were seeking to arrest him but feared the people, for they perceived that he had told the parable against them. So they left him and went away.

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how vast be-yond all mea - - sure That
 2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, my sin up - on his shoul - ders. A -
 3. I will not boast of an - y - thing; no gifts, no pow'r no wis - dom. But

he should give his on - ly Son to make a wretch his trea - - sure. How
 shamed, I hear my mock ing voice call out a-mong the scof - fers. It
 I will boast in Je - sus Christ, his death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why

great the pain of sear-ing loss. The Fa - ther turns his face a-way as
 was my sin that held him there un - til it was ac - com - plished; his
 should I gain from his re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer. But

wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring ma - ny sons to glo - ry.
 dy - ing breath has brought me life. I know that it is fin - ished.
 this I know with all my heart; his wounds have paid my ran - som.

JESUS PAID IT ALL

1. I hear the Sav - ior say, "Thy strength in - deed is small,
2. Lord, now in - deed I find Thy pow'r, and Thine a - lone,
3. For noth - ing good have I Where - by Thy grace to claim;
4. And when, be - fore the throne, I stand in Him com - plete,

Child of weak - ness, watch and pray, Find in Me thine all in all."
Can change the lep - er's spots And melt the heart of stone.
I'll wash my gar - ments white In the blood of Cal - v'ry's Lamb.
"Je - sus died my soul to save," My lips shall still re - peat.

Je - sus paid it all, All to Him I owe;

Sin had left a crim - son stain, He washed it white as snow.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all bles - sings flow; Praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low;

Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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WHO IS JESUS?

Our greatest prayer for you is that you would come to know Jesus. Though we have all rebelled against God, He sent Jesus, His only Son, into our broken world. Through Jesus's obedient life, sacrificial death, and victorious resurrection, sinners can be forgiven and reconciled to God through turning from our sins and trusting in Him.

FOLLOWING JESUS

Baptism is publicly professing your faith in Jesus and identifying with His people.

Discipleship is walking together in life and helping one another follow Jesus faithfully.

Membership is our mutual commitment to follow Jesus together in the context of a local church.

Service to the church and the world is what characterizes Jesus's followers as we seek to make Him known.

If you would like to learn more about Jesus and what it means to follow Him, we would love to talk with you. Please speak with one of our elders or submit a connect card (scan the QR code below).

VISITORS & GUESTS

Welcome! If you are new to our church, we invite you to connect with an elder in the foyer after the service so that we can welcome you personally.

You can also complete a **Connect Card**, available in the pews or via this QR code, to request more information about this church or about what it means to be a Christian.



Families with Children We offer Sunday School classes at 9:30am for grades K-12 and childcare for infants to pre-K during the 10:45 worship service. Canvas 'busy bags' are available in the lobby for children to use during the service. Additional information about our Children's Ministry is available on our website.

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Prayer Meeting - Tonight

Please join us for our prayer meeting tonight at 5:00PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Good Friday Service

Invite your friends, family, neighbors, and coworkers to join us for our Good Friday service on March 29th at 5:30PM as we remember Christ's death in our place.

No Sunday School – Next Sunday

There will be no Discipleship Hour classes next week. Plan to join us for main service at 10:45AM.

Easter Meals

Sign up to host or attend an Easter Meal by March 27th. See Sally Hoagland to register. This will be a great opportunity to fellowship as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord.

Sermon Text for Next Week: Mark 12:13-17

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Wednesday
Zoom Prayer
6:30pm

