EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, November 13, 2022

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

1 Corinthians 11:26

Prelude

Greeting and Call to Worship*

Psalm 148:1-6

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights! Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!

All: Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars! Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the LORD! For he commanded and they were created. And he established them forever and ever; he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

Hymn* Hymn 21

Sing Praise to the Lord!

Sing praise to the Lord! Praise him in the height; Rejoice in his word, you angels of light. You heavens, adore him by whom you were made, And worship before him in brightness arrayed.

Sing praise to the Lord! Praise him on the earth In tuneful accord, you saints of new birth. Praise him who has brought you his grace from above; Praise him who has taught you to sing of his love.

Sing praise to the Lord! All things that give sound,
Each jubilant chord, re-echo around.
Loud organs, his glory tell forth in deep tone,
And trumpets, the story of what he has done.

Sing praise to the Lord! Thanksgiving and song
To him be outpoured all ages along!
For love in creation, for heaven restored,
For grace of salvation, sing praise to the Lord! Amen.

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^{*} Congregation is requested to stand, if able.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out our transgressions. Wash away all our iniquity and cleanse us from our sins. For we know our transgressions, and our sins are always before us. Against you, you only, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge. Surely we were sinful at birth, sinful from the time we were conceived. Cleanse us, and we will be clean; wash us, and we will be whiter than snow. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and grant us steadfast obedience, for we ask in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 John 1:8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Hymn 299

Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious

Look, ye saints, the sight is glorious: see the Man of Sorrows now; From the fight returned victorious, ev'ry knee to him shall bow. Crown him! Crown him! Crowns become the Victor's brow.

Crown the Savior, angels, crown him; rich the trophies Jesus brings; In the seat of pow'r enthrone him, while the vault of heaven rings.

Crown him! Crown the Savior King of kings.

Sinners in derision crowned him, mocking thus the Savior's claim; Saints and angels crowd around him, own his title, praise his name. Crown him! Crown him! Spread abroad the Victor's fame!

Hark! those bursts of acclamation! Hark! those loud triumphant chords!

Jesus takes the highest station; O what joy the sight affords!

Crown him! Crown him! King of kings and Lord of lords. Amen.

Scripture Reading* Acts 4:1-22

Hymn 252

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ my God: All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down: Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all. Amen. Prayer

Sermon

"The Spirit-Empowered Witness Is Prayerful" Acts 4:23-31 Pastor Ben Muresan

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Hymn* Hymn 585

Take My Life, and Let It Be

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.

Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise,

Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love.

Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee,

Swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing, always, only, for my King. Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee, Filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect, and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose, Ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne, It shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store.

Take my self, and I will be ever, only, all for thee,

Ever, only, all for thee. Amen.

Benediction*

Congregational Benediction Response*

(Sung to STUTTGART [Hymn 5])

Honor, glory, might, and merit, be to God and God alone! Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, One in Three and Three in One. Amen.