

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, March 12, 2023

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 34:1-5

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

All: I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.

Hymn*

Hymn 7

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

From all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's name be sung
Through every land, by every tongue.

In every land begin the song;
To every land the strains belong.
In cheerful sound all voices raise
And fill the world with joyful praise.

Eternal are your mercies, Lord;
Eternal truth attends your Word.
Your praise shall sound from shore to shore
Till suns shall rise and set no more. Amen.

* Congregation is requested to stand, if able.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. Our sins weigh heavy on our hearts and they burden our souls. Forgive us, we pray. Give us a renewed desire to serve you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength and to love our neighbors as we love ourselves, for we ask in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Isaiah 1:18

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

Hymn

Hymn 335

Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me: I myself would gracious be;
And with words that help and heal would thy life in mine reveal;
And with actions bold and meek would for Christ my Savior speak.

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me: I myself would truthful be;
And with wisdom kind and clear let thy life in mine appear;
And with actions brotherly speak my Lord's sincerity.

Mighty Spirit, dwell with me: I myself would mighty be;
Mighty so as to prevail where unaided man must fail;
Ever by a mighty hope pressing on and bearing up.

Holy Spirit, dwell with me: I myself would holy be;
Separate from sin, I would choose and cherish all things good,
And whatever I can be, give to him who gave me thee! Amen.

Scripture Reading*

Romans 1:18-32

Hymn

Hymn 141

God, in the Gospel of His Son

God, in the gospel of his Son, makes his eternal counsels known;
Where love in all its glory shines, and truth is drawn in fairest lines.

Here sinners of a humble frame may taste his grace, and learn his name;
May read, in characters of blood, the wisdom, pow'r, and grace of God.

The pris'ner here may break his chains; the weary rest from all his pains;
The captive feel his bondage cease; the mourner find the way of peace.

Here faith reveals to mortal eyes a brighter world beyond the skies;
Here shines the light which guides our way from earth to realms of endless day.

O grant us grace, almighty Lord, to read and mark your holy Word;
Its truths with meekness to receive, and by its holy precepts live. Amen.

Prayer

Sermon

The Spirit-Empowered Witness Uses God's Two Books
Acts 17:22-34

Rudy Manrique

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Hymn*

Hymn 679

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take him at his word;
Just to rest upon his promise; just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."
Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more.

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood;
Just in simple faith to plunge me 'neath the healing, cleansing flood!
Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more.

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease;
Just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace.
Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more.

I'm so glad I learned to trust thee, precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;
And I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.
Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more. 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.