

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, October 3, 2021

I will sing of the LORD's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your
faithfulness known through all generations.

Psalm 89:1

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing*

Responsive Reading*

Psalm 47 (p. 803)

Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy.

How awesome is the LORD Most High, the great King over all the earth!

He subdued nations under us, peoples under our feet.

He chose our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob, whom he loved.

God has ascended amid shouts of joy, the LORD amid the sounding of trumpets.

Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise.

God reigns over the nations; God is seated on his holy throne.

The nobles of the nations assemble as the people of the God of Abraham,

for the kings of the earth belong to God; he is greatly exalted.

* *Congregation is requested to stand, if able.*

Hymn of Preparation*

Hymn 8

Mighty God, While Angels Bless You

Mighty God, while angels bless you, may a mortal sing your name?
Lord of men as well as angels, you are every creature's theme.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

Lord of every land and nation, ancient of eternal days,
Sounded through the wide creation be your just and lawful praise.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

For the grandeur of your nature, grand beyond a seraph's thought,
For created works of power, works with skill and kindness wrought.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

But your rich, your free redemption, dark through brightness all along,
Thought is poor, and poor expression, who dare sing that wondrous song?

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

Brightness of the Father's glory, shall your praise unuttered lie?
Fly, my tongue, such guilty silence, sing the Lord who came to die.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

From the highest throne in glory, to the cross of deepest woe,
All to ransom guilty captives, flow my praise, forever flow.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Almighty and merciful God, the Fountain of all goodness, who knows the thoughts of our hearts, we confess to you that we have sinned against you, and done evil in your sight.

All: Wash us, we pray, from the stains of our past sins, and give us grace and power to put away all unrighteousness.

Leader: Deliver us from the bondage of sin, that we may bring forth the worthy fruit of repentance.

All: Most gracious God, our heavenly Father, who has given your Son, Jesus Christ, to save your people from their sins; forgive us, we pray; cleanse us from all unrighteousness, and renew a right spirit within us; through the grace of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading*

Deuteronomy 5:6-21; Matthew 22:34-40

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 80

Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee

Lord, with glowing heart I'd praise thee
For the bliss thy love bestows,
For the pard'ning grace that saves me,
And the peace that from it flows.
Help, O God, my weak endeavor;
This dull soul to rapture raise;
Thou must light the flame, or never
Can my love be warmed to praise.

Praise, my soul, the God that sought thee,
Wretched wand'rer far astray;
Found thee lost, and kindly brought thee
From the paths of death away.
Praise, with love's devoutest feeling,
Him who saw thy guilt-born fear,
And, the light of hope revealing,
Bade the blood-stained cross appear.

Praise thy Savior God that drew thee
To that cross, new life to give,
Held a blood-sealed pardon to thee,
Bade thee look to him and live.
Praise the grace whose threats alarmed thee,
Roused thee from thy fatal ease;
Praise the grace whose promise warmed thee,
Praise the grace that whispered peace.

Lord, this bosom's ardent feeling
Vainly would my lips express;
Low before thy footstool kneeling,
Deign thy suppliant's pray'r to bless.
Let thy love, my soul's chief treasure,
Love's pure flame within me raise;
And, since words can never measure,
Let my life show forth thy praise. Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 94. *What is Baptism?*

A. Baptism is a sacrament, in which the washing with water in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, does signify and seal our ingrafting into Christ, and receiving of the benefits of the Covenant of Grace, and our engagement to be the Lord's.

Q. 95. *To whom is Baptism to be administered?*

A. Baptism is not to be administered to any who are out of the visible Church, until they profess their faith in Christ and obedience to him; but the infants of those who are members of the visible Church are to be baptized.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship

Doxology*

Hymn 731

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. Amen.

Lord's Prayer*

Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

Second Reading*

Isaiah 53

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [from Psalm 47])

Hymn 73

Rejoice, All People, Homage Give

Rejoice, all people, homage give,
to God with voice of triumph sing;
He rules us in dread majesty,
The great, the universal King.

He puts the nations under us
And makes us all triumphant stand;
He gives us for our heritage
His promised rest, a goodly land.

God has ascended with a shout,
Jehovah with the trumpet's sound;
Sing praise to God our King, sing praise,
Yes, let his glorious praise abound.

Our God is King of all the earth,
With thoughtful heart his praise make known;
O'er all the nations God does reign,
Exalted on his holy throne.

To praise and serve our cov'nant God
The princes of the earth draw nigh;
All kingly pow'rs belong to him,
He is exalted, God Most High. Amen.

Reception of New Members

Sacrament of Baptism

Loving Shepherd of Thy Sheep

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep,
All thy lambs in safety keep;
Nothing can thy power withstand;
None can pluck them from thy hand.

May they praise thee every day,
Gladly all thy will obey,
Like thy blessed ones above,
Happy in thy precious love.

Loving Shepherd, ever near,
Teach thy lambs thy voice to hear;
Suffer not their steps to stray
From the straight and narrow way.

Where thou leadest may they go,
Walking in thy steps below;
Then, before thy Father's throne,
Savior, claim them for thine own. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Clayton Willis

“Bound for Our Freedom”
John 18:12-14, 19-24

GOD'S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Hymn 246

Man of Sorrows! What a Name

Man of Sorrows! what a name
For the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim:
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
In my place condemned he stood,
Sealed my pardon with his blood:
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless, we;
Spotless Lamb of God was he;
Full atonement! can it be?
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Lifted up was he to die,
"It is finished!" was his cry;
Now in heav'n exalted high:
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

When he comes, our glorious King,
All his ransomed home to bring,
Then anew this song we'll sing:
Hallelujah! what a Savior! 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.

HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

The daily reading schedule follows the One Year Bible Reading Plan.

Monday, October 4

Scripture: Jeremiah 2:31 - 4:18; Colossians 1:1-17; Psalm 76:1-12; Proverbs 24:21-22

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 9

Pray for: Our federal, state, and local government leaders.

Tuesday, October 5

Scripture: Jeremiah 4:19 - 6:15; Colossians 1:18 - 2:7; Psalm 77:1-20; Prov. 24:23-25

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 107

Pray for: Our military, police, fire, and medical personnel.

Wednesday, October 6

Scripture: Jeremiah 6:16 - 8:7; Colossians 2:8-23; Psalm 78:1-31; Proverbs 24:26

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 1

Pray for: Our covenant children, and Christian military chaplains.

The churches in the Cook Islands and persecuted Christians.

Thursday, October 7

Scripture: Jeremiah 8:8 - 9:26; Colossians 3:1-17; Psalm 78:32-55; Proverbs 24:27

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 2

Pray for: Our Elders, Deacons, Women's Ministry, & the PCA.

Friday, October 8

Scripture: Jeremiah 10:1 - 11:23; Col. 3:18 - 4:18; Psalm 78:56-72; Prov. 24:28-29

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 3

Pray for: Our members who have ongoing health care needs.

Our pregnant moms.

Saturday, October 9

Scripture: Jeremiah 12:1 - 14:10; 1 Thess. 1:1 - 2:8; Psalm 79:1-13; Prov. 24:30-34

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 4

Pray for: The preaching, and for our Sunday School teachers.

Sunday, October 10

Scripture: Jeremiah 14:11 - 16:15; 1 Thess. 2:9 - 3:13; Psalm 80:1-19; Prov. 25:1-5

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 5

Pray for: Our worship this morning.

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Pray for our missionaries. Their prayer requests are sent out through the Prayer Chain and their newsletters are published in Grace Notes as they become available.

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LORD'S DAY DEVOTION AND QUESTIONS

The dark intent of the arrest and mock trials of Jesus recorded for us in John 18 is paralleled by the darkness of that cold night. What a tragic irony that those who sought to arrest the Light of the world needed torches to find him.

The hatred of the Jewish religious leaders toward Jesus is clearly evident in the way they sent a large, armed band of soldiers to arrest one man, and the sham of a hasty trial that had a predetermined outcome: guilty.

By mentioning Caiaphas' statement that "it would be expedient that one man should die for the people" (John 11:49-50, 53; 18:14), John reminds us that there was no intention of justice on the part of the religious leaders. As John MacArthur comments, "Thus none of the three phases of the Lord's trial before the Jewish authorities was an impartial attempt to truly determine His guilt or innocence. Instead, their purpose was to put a veneer of legality on His murder."

But even in the darkness of the fraudulent trials, a light begins to shine that would not be understood for several weeks after Jesus' resurrection. Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, would testify that the wicked expediency of Caiaphas was God's set purpose and foreknowledge for our salvation (Acts 2:23).

1. Read Isaiah 53. What are some ways Jesus' arrest and trial fulfill the prophecy of Isaiah 53? In light of your answers, why do you think it is important that John (and the other gospel writers) records the events of Jesus' trial?
2. Look at John 18:12 and compare what happens in that verse with 18:6. How does Jesus' arrest in vv. 12-14 (and following) reveal his willingness to go to the cross?
3. Look up John 5:39-40. What does this reveal about the hearts of the Jewish religious leaders?
4. Read John 11. Why did the Jewish religious leaders want to kill Jesus?

Rejoice, All People, Homage Give

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Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy. Ps. 47:1

1. Re - joice, all peo - ple, hom - age give, to God with voice of tri - umph sing;
2. He puts the na - tions un - der us and makes us all tri - um - phant stand;
3. God has as - cend - ed with a shout, Je - ho - vah with the trum - pet's sound;
4. Our God is King of all the earth, with thought - ful heart his praise make known;
5. To praise and serve our cov - nant God the princ - es of the earth draw nigh;

he rules us in dread maj - es - ty, the great, the u - ni - ver - sal King.
he gives us for our her - i - tage his prom - ised rest, a good - ly land.
• sing praise to God our King, sing praise, yes, let his glo - rious praise a - bound.
o'er all the na - tions God does reign, ex - alt - ed on his ho - ly throne.
all king - ly pow'rs be - long to him, he is ex - alt - ed, God Most High.

From Psalm 47
The Psalter, 1912; alt. 1990, mod.

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Psalmodia Evangelica, 1789