MORNING WORSHIP CELEBRATION

The Lord's Day November 21, 2021 10:30 a.m.

Welcome & Announcements: Pastor Jeff Birch

Missionary Update

Prelude: Miss Hailey Heinen

Good, Good Father
Arranged by Richard Kingsmore

Call to Worship: Psalm 105:1-4

The Invocation

*Hymn of Praise

Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart

Rejoice, ye pure in heart; Rejoice, give thanks, and sing. Your festal banner wave on high -The cross of Christ, your King.

Chorus
Rejoice, rejoice,
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

With all the angel choirs, With all the saints on earth, Pour out the strains of joy and bliss, True rapture, noblest mirth! (Chorus)

Yes, on thro' life's long path, Still chanting as ye go; From youth to age, by night and day, In gladness and in woe, (Chorus)

Still lift your standard high; Still march in firm array; As warriors, thro' the darkness toil Till dawns the golden day. (Chorus)

Praise God Who reigns on high, The Lord Whom we adore; The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost - One God forevermore. (*Chorus*)

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

*Song of Praise

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart;
Give thanks to the Holy One;
Give thanks because he's given
Jesus Christ, his Son.
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And now let the weak say, "I am strong;"
Let the poor say, "I am rich,"
Because of what the Lord has done for us.
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The Lord's Prayer / Pastoral 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.

Offertory

I Surrender All
Arranged by Marilynn Ham

*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. Amen.

(During this song, children ages 4-6 may go to Children's Worship)

Sermon Series: Hope According to Isaiah Sermon Text: Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12 (ESV) Sermon Title: The Suffering Servant

Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted. ¹⁴ As many were astonished at you his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankind— ¹⁵ so shall he sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths because of him, for that which has not been told them they see, and that which they have not heard they understand. 53 Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? ² For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. ³ He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. ⁴ Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. ⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. ⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. ⁷ He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. ⁸By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? ⁹ And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence,

and there was no deceit in his mouth.

10 Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.
11 Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.
12 Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

This morning we are looking at the fourth of the Servant Songs as we explore the theme of Hope According to Isaiah. This incredible text gives us the greatest description of the nature and work of the cross of Jesus Christ. This is one of the great places that explains the meaning and power of the cross.

What do we learn from this text about the suffering servant? We will explore this text from three perspectives.

- I. The Reality of His Suffering
- II. The Reasons for His Suffering
- III. The Results of His Suffering

This text is perhaps the clearest exposition and explanation of the work of the cross, what Jesus Christ did for you on the cross that we find in the Bible. May our hearts be melted as we explore this profound passage this morning.

Reflection

"God could quite justly have abandoned us to our fate. He could have left us alone to reap the fruit of our wrongdoing and to perish in our sins. It is what we deserved. But he did not. Because he loved us, he came after us in Christ. He pursued us even to the desolate anguish of the cross, where he bore our sins, guilt, judgment and death. It takes a hard and stony heart to remain unmoved by love like that." (John Stott, The Cross of Christ)

*Hymn

Let All Things Now Living

Let all things now living
A song of thanksgiving
To God the Creator triumphantly raise;
Who fashioned and made us,
Protected and stayed us,
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us;
His light goes before usA pillar of fire shining forth in the nightTill shadows have vanished
And darkness is banished.
As forward we travel from light into light.

His law he enforces;
The stars in their courses
And sun in its orbit obediently shine.
The hills and the mountains,
The rivers and fountains,
The deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine.
We, too, should be voicing
Our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration a song let us raise
Till all things now living
Unite in thanksgiving;
"To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

*The Benediction

Postlude

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