

DAVID'S HUABLE REPENTANCE



2 SAMUEL 24:1-4, 9-25



ORDER OF WORSHIP | March 10, 2024

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SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

No Longer Slaves

CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 85:1-4, 8-10 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob. You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin. Selah You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger. Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us! ... Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly. Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land. Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Romans 8:1-4 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

The Goodness Of Jesus

PRAISE & CELEBRATION

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

Holy Holy Holy

Gratitude

CONFESSION OF FAITH

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

From the Westminster Shorter Catechism:

- Q. 16. Did all mankind fall in Adam's first transgression?
- A. The covenant being made with Adam, not only for himself, but for his posterity; all mankind, descending from him by ordinary generation, sinned in him, and fell with him, in his first transgression.
- Q. 17. Into what estate did the fall bring mankind?
- A. The fall brought mankind into an estate of sin and misery.

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - 5th Graders)

Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

GREETING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | Tim Rice, Lead Pastor and Director of Church Planting

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING | Mercy Fund Offering

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

We Will Dwell

BENEDICTION

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace, both now and forevermore. Amen.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: 2 Samuel 24:1-4, 9-25 (ESV) Title: David's Humble Repentance Teacher: Tim Rice

1 Again the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he incited David against them, saying, "Go, number Israel and Judah." 2 So the king said to Joab, the commander of the army, who was with him, "Go through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan to Beersheba, and number the people, that I may know the number of the people." 3 But Joab said to the king, "May the LORD your God add to the people a hundred times as many as they are, while the eyes of my lord the king still see it, but why does my lord the king delight in this thing?" 4 But the king's word prevailed against Joab and the commanders of the army. So Joab and the commanders of the army went out from the presence of the king to number the people of Israel. ... 9 And Joab gave the sum of the numbering of the people to the king: in Israel there were 800,000 valiant men who drew the sword, and the men of Judah were 500,000. 10 But David's heart struck him after he had numbered the people. And David said to the LORD, "I have sinned greatly in what I have done. But now, O LORD, please take away the iniquity of your servant, for I have done very foolishly." 11 And when David arose in the morning, the word of the LORD came to the prophet Gad, David's seer, saying, 12 "Go and say to David, 'Thus says the LORD, Three things I offer you. Choose one of them, that I may do it to you." 13 So Gad came to David and told him, and said to him, "Shall three years of famine come to you in your land? Or will you flee three months before your foes while they pursue you? Or shall there be three days' pestilence in your land? Now consider, and decide what answer I shall return to him who sent me." 14 Then David said to Gad, "I am in great distress. Let us fall into the hand of the LORD, for his mercy is great; but let me not fall into the hand of man." 15 So the LORD sent a pestilence on Israel from the morning until the appointed time. And there died of the people from Dan to Beersheba 70,000 men. 16 And when the angel stretched out his hand toward Jerusalem to destroy it, the LORD relented from the calamity and said to the angel who was working destruction among the people, "It is enough; now stay your hand." And the angel of the LORD was by the threshing floor of Araunah the Jebusite. 17 Then David spoke to the LORD when he saw the angel who was striking the people, and said, "Behold, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly. But these sheep, what have they done? Please let your hand be against me and against my father's house." 18 And Gad came that day to David and said to him, "Go up, raise an altar to the LORD on the threshing floor of Araunah the Jebusite." 19 So David went up at Gad's word, as the LORD commanded. 20 And when Araunah looked down, he saw the king and his servants coming on toward him. And Araunah went out and paid homage to the king with his face to the ground. 21 And Araunah said, "Why has my lord the king come to his servant?" David said, "To buy the threshing floor from you, in order to build an altar to the LORD, that the plague may be averted from the people." 22 Then Araunah said to David, "Let my lord the king take and offer up what seems good to him. Here are the oxen for the burnt offering and the threshing sledges and the yokes of the oxen for the wood. 23 All this, O king, Araunah gives to the king." And Araunah said to the king, "May the LORD your God accept you." 24 But the king said to Araunah, "No, but I will buy it from you for a price. I will not offer burnt offerings to the LORD my God that cost me nothing." So David bought the threshing floor and the oxen for fifty shekels

of silver. 25 And David built there an altar to the LORD and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings. So the LORD responded to the plea for the land, and the plague was averted from Israel.

INTRO: Why is this story the end of David's story?

THE PERILS OF IDOLATRY & PRIDE

What is underneath Israel's and Davids idols (and ours)?

THE LORD'S HOLINESS & MERCY

How did the LORD show Himself to be both holy and merciful?

HUMILITY, REPENTANCE & FAITH

What is significant about David's response, both what he did and where he did it?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

- 1. Worship the LORD for His Covenant grace and mercy. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that He is both holy (to embody integrity) and merciful (to provide a miraculous way for sinners like us to be redeemed).
- 2. How have you lived as if God's Word is not trustworthy while your opinions are? Confess your pride and idolatrous living to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and to heal your heart to trust in Him alone.
- 3. Give thanks to Jesus for His work to unify the LORD's holiness and mercy. Thank Him for satisfying the Father's holy standards of justice *and* securing for us mercy by His death and resurrection in our place.
- 4. Who do you know that struggles to trust what God says over what they think? Pray for them, asking the Lord to give them open eyes and ears so that they can see their own peril, and hear God's grace in Christ.
- 5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love and goodness. Pray for His help to humble yourself before His Word and authority to joyfully repent of your self-will and trust Him more than your own opinions.

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LUNCHEON

Churchwide Easter Picnic March 24, 12p Contact <u>Callie Sandman</u> for information.

Student Ministry Fundraiser & Info Luncheon

April 7, 12p Contact <u>Brown Peterson</u> for information.



VBS 2024 - Scuba

June 17-21, Registration begins April 7. Contact <u>Callie Sandman</u> for information.

Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

March 11-16, 2024

(3-year plan: read blue passages | 1-year plan: read all)

| Monday | Acts 27 1 Kings 20 | Exodus 1 Isaiah 43 |
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| Tuesday | Acts 28 1 Kings 21 | Exodus 2 Isaiah 44 |
| Wednesday | Romans 1 1 Kings 22 | Exodus 3 Isaiah 45 |
| Thursday | Romans 2 2 Kings 1 | Exodus 4 Isaiah 46 |
| Friday | Romans 3 2 Kings 2 | Exodus 5 Isaiah 47 |
| Saturday | Psalm 63 | Psalm 11 Psalm 115 |

Scripture Memory for the Week:

2 Samuel 24:14 (ESV)

14 Then David said to Gad, "I am in great distress. Let us fall into the hand of the LORD, for his mercy is great; but let me not fall into the hand of man."

Office Hours:

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