

The Lord's Day ~ February 28, 2021

God Calls Us to Worship & Welcomes Us

Psalm 62:8

Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

* Praising God in Song





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* Seeking God's Blessing upon Our Worship

* Declaring Our Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

God Declares His Will for Our Lives

⁴But I am the Lord your God from the land of Egypt;
you know no God but me, and besides me there is no savior.
⁵It was I who knew you in the wilderness, in the land of drought;
⁶but when they had grazed, they became full,
they were filled, and their heart was lifted up; therefore they forgot me.

Matthew 6:19-21

¹⁹Do not lay up for yourselves treasure on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Acknowledging Our Sin to God

Our great God, we shudder to think that we could forget you, for you are our only Savior by the work of your Son. And yet, when our lives are full of good and comfortable blessings we so easily fall into the trap of focusing on the gifts rather than upon you, the Giver. We admit the foolishness of investing our devotion and hope in the things of this world that pass away, but confess that day by day we make such possessions our priority. Forgive us through the blood and righteousness of Jesus, and give us a full measure of his Holy Spirit to enable us to lay up treasures in heaven, so that our hearts would no longer be chained to earth, but soar in love and hope to your throne above. We ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

God Forgives by Grace through Faith in Jesus Christ

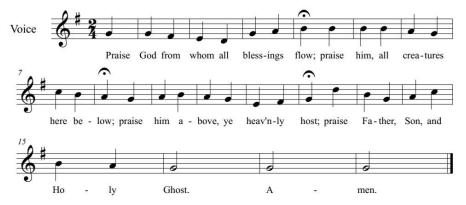
2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Hosea 13:4-6

Taking Our Requests to God in Prayer

Presenting & Dedicating Our Offerings to the Lord



God Speaks through His Word



⁷He 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?

⁹And 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.

¹⁰Yet 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.

"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.

¹²Therefore 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.

Matthew 27:11-14

"Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You have said so." ¹²But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he gave no answer. ¹³Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many things they testify against you?" ¹⁴But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

"A Good Confession and a Stunning Silence"

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As we will see over the next few weeks, Jesus' suffering under Pontius Pilate has great significance in the Savior's redeeming work.

While on trial before Pilate, Jesus is both advancing God's purposes for our salvation and teaching us how to deal with our own accusers.

Hear--and take up for yourself--the good confession of Jesus Christ

Jesus declared his true identity, despite appearances and faulty expectations

Make it known that you trust this Jesus for eternal life (1 Timothy 6:12-15)

Understand—and adopt for yourself—the stunning silence of Jesus Christ

Jesus submitted to his true purpose, humbling himself before the Father's will

At times your gracious silence will be the best testimony of faith in God (1 Peter 2:19-25)

* Responding to God's Grace in Song



* God Dismisses Us with His Blessing



Announcements

- After worship, enjoy fellowship downstairs, and then join us at 11:30 for Sunday School. The Adult Class meets in the Fellowship Hall, the Elementary Class (led by Amy Pisani) in Rm 102, the Middle School Class (led by Kurt Schumacher) in Rm 209, and the High School Class (led by Eric Runion) in Rm 300. Masks are needed while moving around the building, but may be removed when seated. Adult Sunday School is currently a **Sermon Forum**, during which the elders will lead a discussion to deepen our understanding & application of the sermon scripture passage.
- Please join us at 6 PM for our online **Sunday Evening Devotional**. Tonight we'll again study 2 Timothy 3:1-5 on the theme "Seasons of Difficulty".
- Youth Group & Kids' Club meet this Wednesday at 7 PM.

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Join us from 6:30 to 10 PM on March 5th as we view the virtual VoM conference to inspire our confidence in the Lord and to ignite our prayers for his people. We'll meet in the Fellowship Hall. Let Pastor Kisler know if you will attend.

• Helping with this morning's service are: Cathy Beich (accompanist), Dan Lash (usher), Richard Backus (sound) and Tony Pisani (video).

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