

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

May 31, 2020

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness. —Psalm 29:2

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

▶ CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 106:47-48

Save us, O LORD our God,
And gather us from among the Gentiles,
To give thanks to Your holy name,
To triumph in Your praise.
Blessed be the LORD God of Israel
From everlasting to everlasting!
And let all the people say, "Amen!"
Praise the Lord!

▶ INVOCATION

▶ HYMN OF PRAISE Ps.103 - Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven 76

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,
to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who, like me, his praise should sing?
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,
praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor to our fathers in distress;
praise him, still the same forever, slow to chide and swift to bless;
praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, glorious in his faithfulness.

Fatherlike, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes;
praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, widely as his mercy goes.

Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish, blows the wind and it is gone;
but while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,
praise the High Eternal One.

Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space,
praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,
praise with us the God of grace.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O MY SAVIOR,

I thank you from the depths of my being,
for your wondrous grace and love
in bearing my sin in your own body on the tree.

May your cross be to me as the brazen serpent
that calls forth the look of faith.

By your cross crucify my every sin;
use it to increase my intimacy with yourself;
Make it the ground of all my comfort,
the liveliness of all my duties,
the sum of all your gospel promises,
the comfort of all my afflictions,
the vigor of my love, thankfulness, graces,
the very essence of my religion;

And by it give me that rest without rest,
the rest of ceaseless praise.

Hear me, risen Savior, as I confess my sin.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

TITUS 3:3-7

[W]e ourselves were also once foolish,
disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures,
living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another.
But when the kindness and the love
of God our Savior toward man appeared,
not by works of righteousness which we have done,
but according to His mercy He saved us,
through the washing of regeneration
and renewing of the Holy Spirit,
whom He poured out on us abundantly
through Jesus Christ our Savior,
that having been justified by His grace
we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

▶ HYMN OF ASSURANCE Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ 524

Thy works, not mine, O Christ, speak gladness to this heart;
they tell me all is done; they bid my fear depart.

To whom, save thee, who canst alone for sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

Thy pains, not mine, O Christ, upon the shameful tree,
have paid the law's full price and purchased peace for me.

Thy cross, not mine, O Christ, has borne the awful load
of sins that none in heav'n or earth could bear but God.

Thy righteousness, O Christ, alone can cover me:
no righteousness avails save that which is of thee.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

WCF 11.3

Christ, by His obedience and death,
did fully discharge the debt of all those that are ... justified,
and did make a proper, real, and full satisfaction
to His Father's justice in their behalf.
Yet, in as much as He was given by the Father for them;
and His obedience and satisfaction accepted in their stead;
and both, freely, not for any thing in them;
their justification is only of free grace;
that both the exact justice, and rich grace of God
might be glorified in the justification of sinners

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

▶ DOXOLOGY 731

PASTORAL PRAYER

▶ HYMN Ps. 119:89-97 - Forever Settled in the Heavens 59

Forever settled in the heav'ns, thy word, O Lord, shall firmly stand;
thy faithfulness shall never fail; the earth abides at thy command.

Thy word and works unmoved remain, thine ev'ry purpose to fulfill;
all things are thine and thee obey, and all as servants wait thy will.

I should have perished in my woe had not I loved thy law divine;
that law I never can forget; O save me, Lord, for I am thine.

The wicked would destroy my soul, but in thy truth is refuge sure;
exceeding broad is thy command, and in perfection shall endure.

SCRIPTURE

PSALM 34:1-22

SERMON

"AND NOTHING"

▶ **HYMN OF RESPONSE** 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus 679

'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!

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.

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.

▶ **BENEDICTION**

Psalm 34

David's. When he changed his sense in the presence of Abimelech, and he drove him away, and he went.

1. Oh, I will bless Yahweh on every occasion. (*aleph*)
Continually his praise will be in my mouth.
2. In Yahweh my soul will make its boast (*beth*)
The downtrodden will hear and rejoice.
3. Magnify Yahweh with me. (*gimel*)
Let us raise up his name together.
4. I sought Yahweh and he answered me, (*daleth*)
And from all my terrors he delivered me.
5. They looked to him and they were beaming, (*he*)
And their faces were certainly not abashed.
6. This downtrodden one called, and Yahweh himself heard, (*zayin*)
And out of all his troubles saved him.
7. The Angel of Yahweh is ever actually camping (*cheth*)
Around those who fear him, and has extricated them.
8. Taste and see that Yahweh is good. (*teth*)
Blessed is the individual who takes refuge in him.
9. Fear Yahweh, you his holy ones, (*yodh*)
For there is nothing lacking to those who fear him.
10. Even lions go in want and are hungry, (*kaph*)
But those who seek Yahweh lack nothing good.
11. Come, sons, listen to me: (*lamedh*)
The fear of Yahweh is what I will teach you –
12. Who is the man who desires life, (*mem*)
Who loves days so as to see good?
13. Preserve your tongue from evil, (*nun*)
And your lips from speaking deceit.
14. Turn from evil and do good; (*samech*)
Seek peace and pursue it.
15. Yahweh's eyes are to the righteous, (*ayin*)
And his ears to their cry for help.
16. Yahweh's face is against those who do evil (*pe*)
To cut away remembrance of them from the earth.
17. They cry and Yahweh is listening, (*tsadhe*)
And from all their troubles he delivers them.
18. Yahweh is near to the heart-broken, (*qoph*)
And those crushed in spirit he saves.
19. Many are the evils of a righteous one, (*resh*)
And from them all Yahweh delivers him.
20. He keeps all his bones: (*shin*)
Not one of them is broken.
21. Evil will put the wicked to death, (*tau*)
And those who hate the righteous will be held guilty.
22. Yahweh indeed ransoms the soul of his servants, (*pe*)
And none who take refuge in him will be held guilty.