Chestnut Mountain Presbyterian, PCA

Worship of the Living God

August 2, 2020

GATHERING TO WORSHIP
Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

The Song of AscentGod's people sang together as they gathered and traveled together up to Jerusalem to worship God.

Congregation

Jeremiah 6.16

This is what the Lord says, "Stand by the roads and look!

Ask for the ancient paths- ask where the good way is.

And walk in it. Yes walk in it and you will find rest for your souls."

ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship: "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. [You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise." - Deuteronomy 6.4-7

Quieting of Hearts, Confession of Sin and Invocation

Declaring Our Faith:

Psalm 78.3-7

Things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us: We will not hide them from their children but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done... which he commanded our fathers to teach to their children, that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.

Hymn of Praise

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all—
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid—
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine—
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home—
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.
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CMPC Mission and Family Life Mission Moment Pastoral Prayer

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offering

The 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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn of Testimony

I Love to Tell the Story
(Children ages 3 through kindergarten may be escorted to Children's Church)
I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

Refrain: I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

Llove to tell the story; more wonderful it seems than all the golden fancies of all our golden dreams. I love to tell the story, it did so much for me; and that is just the reason I tell it now to thee.

I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet. I love to tell the story, for some have never heard the message of salvation from God's own holy Word.

I love to tell the story; for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest, And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, 'twill be the old, old story, that I have loved so long.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD Reading of God's Word

Colossians 3.18-21

18 Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. 19 Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them. 20 Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. 21 Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon Pastor John [See the Sermon Notes below on the last pages]

The Bible Says What? The Daily Application of Finding Our Identity in Christ (3)

Series from Colossians: Finding Our Identity in Christ

OUR RESPONSE
Prayer of Application

Hymn of Response My Jesus, I Love thee My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine; For thee all the follies of sin I resign My gracious Redeemer, my Saviour art thou; If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love thee because thou hast first loved me, And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree. I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow; If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now. I'll love thee in life, I will love thee in death; And praise thee as long as thou lendest me breath; And say, when the death-dew lies cold on my brow: If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

The Benediction and Threefold Amen



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The Attitude of Parents

- Attitude from verse 20: parents have authority over their children and are to give direction
- Move from helpless infants to adults who love and serve God
- Pattern: God himself
 - Unconditional love
 - We are to mirror that
- Our identity: children of God
 - God gives his children guidelines for living
 - They are what is best for us
 - Not arbitrary
- Desire 3.12-17 for our children
- Parents as role models: Proverbs 23.26
- What we want to say about our children: Proverbs 23.15,16; 24-25

The Attitude and Actions of Children/Teens

- Not rocket science
 - But not natural
 - Children/teens are too much like their parents!
 - o Proverbs 22.15
- To train to obey God, must learn to obey parents
- Everything- a comprehensive term!
- Others in authority
- And if not... Deuteronomy 21.18ff
- Culture and family demise...
 - o Romans 1.18ff
 - II Timothy 3.1ff

The Action of Parents

- Possible to get it wrong
 - o Provoke- rouse to anger
 - Discourage
- Fathers must be more prone to this; could have used word for parents as in verse 20 but did not
 - o "Possess" children
- Parenting is a responsibility
 - Not best friends... yet

- o Goal: our children become disciples of Jesus
- Pray
 - A world of distractions
 - o A lost view of sin
 - o Fix our attention... and eternity... on Jesus
- Establish rules
 - o Clear
 - Appropriate
 - o Consequences
 - o Predictable
 - o Consistent
- Spending time, cf. Deuteronomy 6.6-7

So What About Us?