Lord's Day Worship Sunday, November 20, 2022

Sing Praise to the Lord

Call to Worship Psalm 33:10-12

The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples. The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations. Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne. Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed over the grave, And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save. His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high, Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of love, behold his hands and side, Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified. No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of Heaven, enthroned in worlds above, Crown him the King to whom is given the wondrous name of Love. All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou has died for me; Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity!

Crown Him the Lord of lords, who over all doth reign, Who once on earth, the incarnate Word, for ransomed sinners slain, Now lives in realms of light, where saints with angels sing Their songs before Him day and night, their God, Redeemer, King

Prayer of Invocation

We ask God's presence to enable us to worship him as we ought.

Recount the Wonders of His Mercy

Call to Confession John 10:11, 14-18

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep... I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

Prayer of Confession

(From Streams of Mercy)

Almighty God,

Praise is due to you from all your creatures, for your works display your attributes and fulfill all your designs. You are the King of Kings, and at your will, empires rise and fall; you sit above the circle of the earth and govern all things according to your will and for your glory. Yet you are also a kind and loving Shepherd, carrying us in your heart and gently leading us through green pastures and painful valleys. You are powerful and full of compassion for your weak sheep, and we thank you for stooping to care for us with tenderness.

We are a small flock of your people, and as you call us to live together in peace, we know that we will fall short of your commands. Those of us who are called to lead will be tempted to seek power and use it for our own benefit, and to rule with a heavy hand. Lord, give compassion, gentleness, humility, and sacrificial love to those who you call to leadership in your church. Thank you for the perfect leadership of Jesus Christ, which covers and atones for each pastor, elder, and deacon. Give them courage to work hard and grace to fail, to learn, and to grow. Make them quick to repent when they sin, so they can lead us to the cross.

Those of us who are called to follow will be tempted to rebel and wander. We will be stubborn at times, and weak, and difficult to love. Thank you for the perfect submission of Jesus to his Father's will, which covers and protects us from ourselves. Make us humble, teachable, patient, and supportive toward those who are called to watch over our souls. Help us confess our sin and repent quickly of it, so that we will be a delight to our leaders.

Holy Spirit, do not let pride swell up in our hearts; humble us when we sin, and lead us to Christ. There, may we find the comfort of the gospel. We have a great advocate to calm our fears and a perfect Lamb who has died in our place. We have a reconciled Father, a powerful Shepherd, a compassionate friend, and a Savior who is willing and able to save us to the uttermost. In the name of the Chief Shepherd, we ask all these things, amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

1 Peter 2:21-25

For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care; In thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use thy folds prepare. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

We are thine, thou dost befriend us, be the guardian of our way; Keep thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray.

Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be; Thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse and power to free. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! Let us early turn to thee. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! Let us early turn to thee.

Early let us seek thy favor, early let us do thy will; Blessèd Lord and only Savior, with thy love our bosoms fill. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! Thou hast loved us, love us still. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! Thou hast loved us, love us still.

Prayer for the Church and Congregation

Give Attention to His Powerful Word

Scripture Reading

Acts 1:12-26

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³ And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴ All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶ "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷ For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸ (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹ And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰ "For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"Let another take his office."

²¹ So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²² beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." ²³ And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴ And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵ to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶ And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

Children's Message

Sermon

"What Are the Odds?—Zero"

Reverend Seob Kim

Sermon Outline

I. Jesus' Sovereignty over His _____

II. Jesus' Sovereignty over His _____

Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator 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 to hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to 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. (We will receive our gifts and offerings for the Lord's work during the singing of this song.)

All Glory Be To Christ

Should nothing of our efforts stand No legacy survive Unless the Lord does raise the house In vain its builders strive

To you who boast tomorrow's gain Tell me, What is your life? A mist that vanishes at dawn All glory be to Christ!

All glory be to Christ our king! All glory be to Christ! His rule and reign we'll ever sing All glory be to Christ!

His will be done, His kingdom come On earth as is above Who is Himself our daily bread Praise Him, the Lord of love

Let living water satisfy
The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
All glory be to Christ! *Chorus*

When on the day the great I Am
The faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain
Is making all things new

Behold our God shall live with us And be our steadfast light And we shall e'er his people be All glory be to Christ! *Chorus*

Receive the Gifts of His Grace

The Lord's Supper

All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, who are communicant members of a Bible-believing church, and who seek strength and grace to live more faithfully to Christ are invited to participate. While communion is being served, please feel free to join in song or meditate quietly on Christ's sacrifice.

Come Ye Sinners

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, joined with power. He is able, he is able; he is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify; True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh. Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall; If you tarry 'til you're better, you will never come at all. Not the righteous, not the righteous; sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream; All the fitness he requires is to feel your need of him.

This he gives you, this he gives you, 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended; pleads the merit of his blood. Venture on him; venture wholly, let no other trust intrude. None but Jesus, none but Jesus can do helpless sinners good. *He is able, he is able; he is willing; doubt no more.*

Lord I Need You

Lord, I come, I confess, bowing here I find my rest. Without you I fall apart; you're the One that guides my heart. Lord, I need you, oh, I need you; every hour I need you. My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need you.

Where sin runs deep your grace is more; Where grace is found is where you are And where you are, Lord, I am free: holiness is Christ in me. *Refrain*

Teach my song to rise to you when temptation comes my way And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on you: Jesus, you're my hope and stay. *Refrain*

Let Your Kingdom Come

Your glorious cause, O God, engages our hearts, May Jesus Christ be known wherever we are, We ask not for ourselves, but for your renown The cross has saved us so we pray, your kingdom come!

Let your kingdom come, let your will be done, So that everyone might know your name, Let your song be heard everywhere on earth, Till your sovereign work on earth is done, Let your kingdom come!

Give us your strength, O God, and courage to speak, Perform your wondrous deeds through those who are weak. Lord use us as you want, whatever the test, By grace we'll preach your gospel till our dying breath. *Chorus*

Benediction

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