Lord's Day Worship Sunday, August 14, 2022

Worship Presider: Elder Ken Brown

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

Revelation 22:17

Sing Praise to the Lord

Call to Worship

Psalm 29:1-2, Isaiah 63:7

Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.

I will recount the steadfast love of the Lord, the praises of the Lord, according to all that the Lord has granted us, and the great goodness to the house of Israel that he has granted them according to his compassion, according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

Rejoice (Come and Stand Before Your Maker)

Come and stand before your Maker full of wonder, full of fear. Come behold his power and glory, yet with confidence draw near, For the one who holds the heavens and commands the stars above Is the God who bends to bless us with an unrelenting love.

Rejoice! Come and lift your hands and raise your voice. He is worthy of all praise. Rejoice! Sing the mercies of your King and with trembling, rejoice.

We are children of the promise, the beloved of the Lord, Won with everlasting kindness, bought with sacrificial blood, Bringing reconciliation to a world that longs to know The affections of a Father who will never let them go. *Chorus*

All our sickness, all our sorrows Jesus carried up the hill. He has walked this path before us; he is walking with us still, Turning tragedy to triumph, turning agony to praise. There is blessing in the battle, so take heart and stand amazed!

Rejoice! When you cry to him he hears your voice. He will wipe away your tears. Rejoice! In the midst of suffering he will help you sing... Chorus

Prayer of Invocation

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

Recount His Covenant Faithfulness

Call to Confession Psalm 89:24-32

My faithfulness and my steadfast love shall be with my servant, and in my name shall his horn be exalted. I will set his hand on the sea and his right hand on the rivers. He shall cry to me, 'You are my Father, my God, and the Rock of my salvation.' And I will make him the firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth. My steadfast love I will keep for him forever, and my covenant will stand firm for him. I will establish his offspring forever and his throne as the days of the heavens. If his children forsake my law, and do not walk according to my rules, if they violate my statutes and do not keep my commandments, then I will punish their transgression with the rod and their iniquity with stripes.

Prayer of Confession

(from *Prone to Wander*)

Faithful Heavenly Father,

You are a covenant keeping God, but we have forsaken your law and violated your statutes. We have not walked according to your rules or kept your commandments. Though you have always been faithful to us, we are unfaithful to you many times each day in our thoughts and with our words and actions. We know that we deserve to be punished for our sin. We have earned the rod of your anger and violent stripes of bitter anguish for our mountains of iniquity. Father, because of your steadfast love, forgive us we pray.

Jesus, you have been faithful in all things for us, keeping covenant with your Father on our behalf. You were the sinless servant who kept the law perfectly, the perfect Son who walked according to your Father's commandments, and now you have become the Rock of our salvation. You truly earned the steadfast love and faithfulness of God, but willingly surrendered to the punishment that we deserve for all of our rebellion. Instead of a throne here on earth, you chose a cross; instead of the honor of a high king, you chose the humiliation of whips and lashes, your flesh torn as you endured our stripes of anguish. You freely took our place, enduring our shame as you were lifted up to die. Thank you Lord Jesus. Now the empty tomb proclaims God's faithfulness to you, his obedient Son, and to all of us who are united to you. By faith we behold you, the Holy Lamb of God, crowned

with glory and honor and seated on a throne that will last forever. You are so worthy to be praised.

Holy Spirit, in our great weakness help us to believe that guilty and vile sinners like ourselves become spotlessly clean in the redeeming blood of Christ. Cause us to see him as our precious jewel, the one great treasure that we seek above all else. Grant us overwhelming joy in this Man of Sorrows who made full atonement for us, and help us to believe and enjoy the truth that it is truly finished. Make us steadfast and faithful until that wonderful day when we see our glorious King, and we are brought safely home where we will sing "Hallelujah, what a Savior" forevermore. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 89:30-37, 52

If his children forsake my law and do not walk according to my rules, if they violate my statutes and do not keep my commandments, then I will punish their transgression with the rod and their iniquity with stripes, but I will not remove from him my steadfast love or be false to my faithfulness. I will not violate my covenant or alter the word that went forth from my lips. Once for all I have sworn by my holiness; I will not lie to David. His offspring shall endure forever, his throne as long as the sun before me. Like the moon it shall be established forever, a faithful witness in the skies. Blessed be the Lord forever! Amen and Amen.

Hebrews 6:17-20

So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he guaranteed it with an oath, so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us. We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf.

Man of Sorrows

Man of Sorrows! What a name for the Son of God, who came Ruined sinners to reclaim. Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned he stood; Sealed my pardon with His blood. Hallelujah! What a Savior! Guilty, vile, and helpless we; spotless Lamb of God was he; "Full atonement!" can it be? Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Lifted up was he to die; "It is finished!" was his cry; Now in Heav'n exalted high. Hallelujah! What a Savior!

When he comes, our glorious King, all his ransomed home to bring, Then anew this song we'll sing: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Prayer for the Church and Congregation

Give Attention to His Powerful Word

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 55:6-13

⁶ "Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near;

⁷ let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts;

let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord.

⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

10 "For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
11 so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

¹² "For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace;

the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. ¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall make a name for the Lord, an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off."

Sermon

"A Message You Do Not Want to Miss"

Mr. Seob Kim, Licensor

Affirmation of Faith

Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 194. What do we pray for in the fifth petition?

A. In the fifth petition (which is, *Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors*), acknowledging that we and all others are guilty both of original and actual sin, and thereby become debtors to the justice of God; and that neither we, nor any other creature, can make the least satisfaction for that debt: we pray for ourselves and others, that God of his free grace would, through the obedience and satisfaction of Christ, apprehended and applied by faith, acquit us both from the guilt and punishment of sin, accept us in his Beloved; continue his favor and grace to us, pardon our daily failings, and fill us with peace and joy, in giving us daily more and more assurance of forgiveness; which we are the rather emboldened to ask, and encouraged to expect, when we have this testimony in ourselves, that we from the heart forgive others their offenses.

Oh the Deep, Deep Love

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless, free Rolling as a mighty ocean, in its fullness over me Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Your love Leading onward, leading homeward, to Your glorious rest above

Oh the deep, deep love All I need and trust Is the deep, deep love of Jesus

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus, spread His praise from shore to shore How He came to pay our ransom, through the saving cross He bore How He watches o'er His loved ones, those He died to make His own How for them He's interceding, pleading now before the throne *Chorus*

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus, far surpassing all the rest It's an ocean full of blessing, in the midst of every test Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus, mighty Savior, precious Friend You will bring us home to glory, where Your love will never end *Chorus (x2)*

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.

Song of Preparation: Behold the Lamb

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us: and we remember The promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross. So we share in this Bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice, As a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior, Jesus Christ, torn for you: eat and remember The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life, paid the price to make us one. So we share in this Bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice, As a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you: drink and remember He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God. So we share in this Bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice, As a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond: and to remember. Our call to follow in the steps of Christ as his body here on earth. As we share in his suffering, we proclaim: Christ will come again! And we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Song of Response: Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son! Hail, in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun! He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free, To take away transgression, and rule in equity.

He comes with comfort speedy to those who suffer wrong; To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong; To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light, Whose souls, condemned and dying, were precious in his sight.

He shall come down like showers, upon the fruitful earth; And love, joy, hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth; Before him on the mountains shall peace the herald, go; And righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.

O'er ev'ry foe victorious, he on his throne shall rest, From age to age more glorious, all-blessing and all-blessed; The tide of time shall never his covenant remove; His name shall stand forever, that name to us is love.

Benediction

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