

Lord's Day Worship

Sunday, April 30th, 2023

Sing Praise to the Lord

***Call to Worship**

Matthew 6:25-33

Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

***His Eye Is on the Sparrow**

Why should I feel discouraged, Why should the shadows come,
Why should my heart be lonely, And long for heav'n and home;
When Jesus is my portion? My constant Friend is he;
His eye is on the sparrow, And I know he watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow, And I know he watches me.

"Let not your heart be troubled," His tender word I hear,
And resting on his goodness, I lose my doubts and fears;
Though by the path he leadeth, But one step I may see;
His eye is on the sparrow, And I know he watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow, And I know he watches me.

Whenever I am tempted, Whenever clouds arise;
When songs give place to sighing, When hope within me dies,
I draw the closer to him, From care he sets me free;
His eye is on the sparrow, And I know he cares for me;
His eye is on the sparrow, And I know he cares for me.

***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

Philippians 4:4-6

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Prayer of Confession

(From *Prone to Wander*)

God of peace,

Forgive us for our anxiety-filled lives. Though our needs have always been met, we fear losing what we already have, and we do not trust you to provide us with money, jobs, spouses, or other things that we need. Many of us are already anxious about tomorrow, with its needs that we do not yet see. We live in constant fear that you do not really care deeply for us, and that our sin will cause you to abandon us. We are daily waiting for the bad news that will confirm our fears: a failed test, a lost job, betrayal by a friend, abandonment by a spouse, rebellion by a child. Instead of seeking first your kingdom and your righteousness, we have fixed our eyes on our own health, safety, comfort, and status.

Yet you showed your deep love for us, Father, by sending your Son to earn your favor in our place. Jesus sought your kingdom and your righteousness above all things, even to the point of dying on the cross for the very sins that we confess today. You poured out your anger against our unbelief and sinfully anxious hearts upon Jesus, so that we might receive a right relationship with you as a gift. You have adopted us as children just as we are- broken, weary, and anxious- because of his righteousness. For this, we are profoundly and eternally grateful.

Lead us, Lord, by the power of your Spirit, to walk in repentance and faith, and to come boldly into your presence by his blood. Help us to seek your kingdom above all things, trusting in Jesus for our righteousness, and believing that you are sovereign over the smallest details of our lives. Remind us, Lord, of the many ways you know and lovingly meet our needs on a daily basis; help us never to forget the eternal inheritance you have prepared for us in Christ that frees us of our fear of the last enemy, death itself. We come in Jesus' name, Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 43:1-3

But now thus says the LORD,
he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

“Fear not, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.
For I am the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.
I give Egypt as your ransom,
Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

***What a Friend We Have in Jesus**

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge—take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

Prayer for the Church and Congregation

Give Attention to His Powerful Word

Children's Message

Scripture Reading

To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David.

O LORD, you have searched me and known me!

² You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.

³ You search out my path and my lying down
and are acquainted with all my ways.

⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue,
behold, O LORD, you know it altogether.

Psalm 139

- ⁵ You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.
- ⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is high; I cannot attain it.
- ⁷ Where shall I go from your Spirit?
Or where shall I flee from your presence?
- ⁸ If I ascend to heaven, you are there!
If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!
- ⁹ If I take the wings of the morning
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
¹⁰ even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me.
- ¹¹ If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me,
and the light about me be night,"
¹² even the darkness is not dark to you;
the night is bright as the day,
for darkness is as light with you.
- ¹³ For you formed my inward parts;
you knitted me together in my mother's womb.
- ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Wonderful are your works;
my soul knows it very well.
- ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you,
when I was being made in secret,
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.
- ¹⁶ Your eyes saw my unformed substance;
in your book were written, every one of them,
the days that were formed for me,
when as yet there was none of them.
- ¹⁷ How precious to me are your thoughts, O God!
How vast is the sum of them!
- ¹⁸ If I would count them, they are more than the sand.
I awake, and I am still with you.
- ¹⁹ Oh that you would slay the wicked, O God!
O men of blood, depart from me!
- ²⁰ They speak against you with malicious intent;
your enemies take your name in vain.
- ²¹ Do I not hate those who hate you, O LORD?
And do I not loathe those who rise up against you?

²² I hate them with complete hatred;
I count them my enemies.

²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart!
Try me and know my thoughts!

²⁴ And see if there be any grievous way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting!

Sermon

When I Am Anxious, I Will Remember You

Rev. Seob Kim

Sermon Outline

I. David's Remembrance of God's Omniscience

II. David's Remembrance of God's Omnipresence

III. David's Remembrance of God's Omnipotence

IV. David's Remembrance of God's Omni-Benevolence

Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism

Q 125. Christians, what do we mean when we pray "Give us this day our daily bread"?

A. "Give us this day our daily bread" means: Provide for all our physical needs so that we may recognize that you are the only source of everything good, and that neither our care and work nor your gifts can do us any good without your blessing. Therefore may we withdraw our trust from all creatures and place it in you alone.

(We will receive our gifts and offerings for the Lord's work during the singing of the next song.)

***All Must Be Well**

Through the love of God our Savior, All will be well
Free and changeless is His favor, All is well
Precious is the blood that healed us
Perfect is the grace that sealed us
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us
All must be well

Though we pass through tribulation, All will be well
Ours is such a full salvation, All is well
Happy still in God confiding
Fruitful if in Christ abiding
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding
All must be well

We expect a bright tomorrow; All will be well
Faith can sing through days of sorrow, All is well
On our Father's love relying
Jesus every need supplying
Yes in living or in dying
All must be well

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.

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*

It Is Well

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, you have taught me to say,
It is well, it is well, with my soul.
It is well (it is well), with my soul (with my soul),
It is well, it is well, with my soul!

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control:
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed his own blood for my soul. *Refrain*

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! *Refrain*

For me, be it Christ, be it Christ now to live:
If Jordan above me should roll
No pain will be mine, for in death as in life,
You will whisper your peace to my soul. *Refrain*

But, Jesus, for you, for your coming we wait,
The sky, not the grave, is our goal;
Oh trump of the angel! Oh voice of the Lord!
Blessed hope, blessed rest of my soul! *Refrain*

And Lord, haste the day when this faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul. *Refrain*

***Benediction**

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

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