

# **Lord's Day Worship**

**Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

## ***Sing Praise to the Lord***

### **\*Call to Worship**

**Psalm 103:1-12**

Praise the LORD, my soul;  
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.  
Praise the LORD, my soul,  
and forget not all his benefits—  
who forgives all your sins  
and heals all your diseases,  
who redeems your life from the pit  
and crowns you with love and compassion,  
who satisfies your desires with good things  
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.  
The LORD works righteousness  
and justice for all the oppressed.  
He made known his ways to Moses,  
his deeds to the people of Israel:  
The LORD is compassionate and gracious,  
slow to anger, abounding in love.  
He will not always accuse,  
nor will he harbor his anger forever;  
he does not treat us as our sins deserve  
or repay us according to our iniquities.  
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so great is his love for those who fear him;  
as far as the east is from the west,  
so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

### **\*10,000 Reasons**

*Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
O my soul, worship His holy Name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul.  
I'll worship Your holy Name.*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;  
It's time to sing Your song again.  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes. *Chorus*

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger,  
Your Name is great and Your heart is kind;  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing,  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *Chorus*

And on that day when my strength is failing,  
The end draws near and my time has come;  
Still my soul sings Your praise unending,  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore. *Chorus*

### **\*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**

**Exodus 20:13; Matthew 5:21-22**

You shall not murder.

“You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’ But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be liable to the hell of fire.

### **Prayer of Confession**

**(from *Streams of Mercy*)**

O Lord,

We marvel that you would take on flesh and blood in order to be crucified, killed, and buried for us. You humbled yourself and submitted to the hatred of sinful men, accepting the thorns, the whip, the nails, and the spear, to free us from sin and death forever. Although you dreaded the pain and the separation from your Father, you loved him more than life, and for the joy of having us as brothers and sisters you endured the cross of shame.

We praise you for your costly obedience, because you have paid the enormous debt of all our sin, and because we desperately need your righteousness to stand in place of our righteousness. Although most of us have not actually killed anyone, we confess that we have all hated, and continue to hate, others in our hearts. Our hearts rise up often to judge others, to disdain and condemn them, to dismiss them from our circle of friends, and to murder the reputation of others through gossip and slander. We are capable of great unkindness toward enemies and loved ones when we feel fearful, threatened, and disrespected. Lord, forgive us for our unruly, self-centered, and murderous hearts.

Precious Savior, we cannot change our hearts. Through the power of your Spirit we ask for more grace to see the truth about ourselves. Help us to confess honestly our hatred of you and of one another. We plead for repentance; help us to die to ourselves more deeply. Make us people who breath life into others with words of encouragement and edification, instead of hating with our hearts and killing with our lips. Holy Spirit, crucify our sinful desires and make us like Christ. Ravish our hearts with the truth of the gospel. Transform us by your powerful love so that we may truly love others and raise them up. Form us into people who endure costly relational pain for the sake of loving and forgiving our worst enemies.

Jesus, we thank you that we will not struggle with ugly, sinful hearts forever. The empty tomb calls forth our adoring wonder, for just as surely as that tomb is empty, we too will be given new life. Your return in triumphant new life proves your victory over our sin; it assures us that in the death of our sinful flesh, we too will be resurrected to lives of perfect holiness, obedience, and love. The resurrection fills us with hope and joy that the battle has been won and that you will walk with us faithfully until you welcome us into heaven to live with you forever. Amen! Come, Lord Jesus; come quickly!

## **Silent Prayers of Confession**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

**John 5:24**

Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

### **\*Christ Our Hope In Life and Death**

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone.

What is our only confidence? That our souls to him belong.

Who holds our days within his hand? What comes, apart from his command?

And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.

*O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal!*

*O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess:*

*Christ our hope in life and death*

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good, God is good.

Where is his grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's blood.

Who holds our faith when fears arise? Who stands above the stormy trial?

Who sends the waves that bring us nigh unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

*Chorus*

Unto the grave, what shall we sing? “Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!”  
And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with him  
There we will rise to meet the Lord; then sin and death will be destroyed.  
And we will feast in endless joy, when Christ is ours forevermore  
*Chorus (2x)*

## **Prayer for the Church and Congregation**

## ***Give Attention to His Powerful Word***

## **Children’s Message**

### **Scripture Reading**

### **Galatians 2:11-21**

<sup>11</sup> But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. <sup>12</sup> For before certain men came from James, he was eating with the Gentiles; but when they came he drew back and separated himself, fearing the circumcision party. <sup>13</sup> And the rest of the Jews acted hypocritically along with him, so that even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy. <sup>14</sup> But when I saw that their conduct was not in step with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before them all, “If you, though a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew, how can you force the Gentiles to live like Jews?”

<sup>15</sup> We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; <sup>16</sup> yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.

<sup>17</sup> But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! <sup>18</sup> For if I rebuild what I tore down, I prove myself to be a transgressor. <sup>19</sup> For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. <sup>20</sup> I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. <sup>21</sup> I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.

### **Sermon**

### **The Heart of the Gospel**

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## **Sermon Outline**

Proposition: In Galatians 2:11-21, the Apostle Paul exposit the heart of the Gospel: that a sinner is justified by faith in Christ alone and through His grace.

I. The Apostle Peter's \_\_\_\_\_ before the Galatians.

II. The Apostle Paul's \_\_\_\_\_ for the Galatians.

## **Confession of Faith**

## **Westminster Confession of Faith**

*Q 11.1. Dear Christians, what do we believe about a believer's justification (right standing before God)*

*A. Those whom God effectually calls he also freely justifies, not by infusing righteousness into them, but by pardoning their sins and by accounting and accepting them as righteous. It is not for anything wrought in them, or done by them, but for Christ's sake alone that they are justified. It is not by imputing faith itself, the act of believing, or any other act of Christian obedience to them, as their righteousness, but by imputing the obedience and satisfaction of Christ to them who receive and rest on him and his righteousness by faith. Men do not have this faith of themselves; it is the gift of God.*

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

### **\*There is One Gospel**

There is one Gospel on which I stand  
For all eternity  
It is my story, my Father's plan  
The Son has rescued me  
Oh what a Gospel, oh what a peace  
My highest joy and my deepest need  
Now and forever He is my light  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel to which I cling  
All else I count as loss  
For there, where justice and mercy meet  
He saved me on the cross  
No more I boast in what I can bring  
No more I carry the weight of sin  
For He has brought me from death to life  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel where hope is found  
The empty tomb still speaks  
For death could not keep my Saviour down  
He lives and I am free  
Now on my Saviour, I fix my eyes  
My life is His and His hope is mine!  
For He has promised I, too, will rise  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

And in this Gospel the church is one  
We do not walk alone  
We have His Spirit as we press on  
To lead us safely home  
And when in glory still I will sing  
Of this old story that rescued me  
Praise to my Saviour, the King of life  
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

## ***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.*

### **Cling to Christ**

Father, I can come to You and boast of deeds I've done  
In my pride I strive to earn the favor Christ has won  
He alone pleads my acceptance all my works aside  
So I come with empty hands and I cling to Christ

Father, I can go astray and battle needless fears  
Voices tell me I'm condemned and that I can't draw near  
But Your Spirit calls me homeward with Your words of life  
Jesus bore my every sin, so, I cling to Christ

It's more than I can do  
To keep my hold on You  
But all my hope and peace  
Is that You cling to me

Father, all my earthly aims in time will turn to dust  
Let me learn that loss is gain for those who know Your love  
All the treasures of this world will never satisfy  
You alone are endless joy, so, I cling to Christ

### **Hide Away in the Love of Jesus**

Come, weary saints, though tired and weak, hide away in the love of Jesus  
Your strength will return by His quiet streams, hide away in the love of Jesus

Come, wandering souls, and find your home, hide away in the love of Jesus  
He offers the rest that you yearn to know, hide away in the love of Jesus.  
*Hear him calling your name see the depths of his love  
In the wounds of his grace, hide away, hide away.*

Come guilty ones, weighed down with sin, hide away in the love of Jesus;  
The freedom you long for is found in him, hide away in the love of Jesus.  
*Refrain*



Come hopeless hearts, do not despair, hide away in the love of Jesus;  
For ten thousand joys await you there, hide away in the love of Jesus.  
*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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