

ORDER OF WORSHIP OCTOBER 6, 2024

When the musical prelude begins, the congregation is invited to spend time preparing their hearts for corporate worship.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hosea 2:21-23

Leader: "In that day I will respond," declares the Lord— "I will respond to the skies, and they will

respond to the earth;

People: And the earth will respond to the grain, the new wine and

the olive oil, and they will respond to Jezreel.

Leader: I will plant her for myself in the land;

People: I will show my love to the one I called 'Not my loved one.'

Leader: I will say to those called 'Not my people,' 'You are my people',

and they will say:

People: You are my God.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 17:1-8

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old the Lord appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, ² that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly." ³Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, ⁴ "Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. ⁷And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. ⁸And I will give to you and to your offspring after you the land of your sojournings, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession, and I will be their God."

SONG OF PRAISE

- 1. Out of my distress I called out for help; And the Lord came quickly to save me. Praise our God most high; He is on my side, For the Lord's become my salvation!
- 2. Open up the gate where the righteous wait; To behold the face of their Savior. I am welcomed in by my Lord and friend, And the Lord's become my salvation!

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The Lord's Become Our Salvation

Chorus

Oh give thanks to the Lord, For his never-ending love! We will celebrate what He's done this day. For the Lord's become our salvation! For the Lord's become our salvation!

3. Now the stone ignored by the strong and proud Has become the Church's foundation. Let the weak give praise for this gift of grace, For the Lord's become our salvation! Chorus 2X

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

John 1:29

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

HYMN OF PREPARATION

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father; There is no shadow of turning with Thee. Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not; As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain

Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness; Morning by morning new mercies I see. All I have needed Thy hand hath provided; Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

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Great is Thy Faithfulness

- 2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. Refrain
- 3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth; Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide. Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow; Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside. Refrain

CONGREGATIONAL READING

Romans 9:14-16

¹⁴ What shall we say then? Is there injustice on God's part? By no means! ¹⁵ For he says to Moses, "I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion." ¹⁶ So then it depends not on human will or exertion, but on God, who has mercy.

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 9:6-13

⁶But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, ⁷ and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." ⁸This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. ⁹For this is what the promise said: "About this time next year I will return, and Sarah shall have a son." ¹⁰ And not only so, but also when Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, ¹¹ though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God's purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of him who calls— ¹² she was told, "The older will serve the younger." ¹³ As it is written, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated."

SERMON "God's Purpose of Election" - Rev. Bryan Rigg

SERMON NOTES

Sunday, October 6, 2024 | Bryan Rigg "God's Purpose of Election" | Romans 9:6-13

Westminster Confession, Chapter 5:2-3

- 2. Although in relation to the foreknowledge and decree of God, the first cause, all things come to pass immutably and infallibly, yet by the same providence he ordereth them to fall out, according to the nature of second causes, either necessarily, freely, or contingently.
- 3. God, in his ordinary providence, maketh use of means, yet is free to work without, above, and against them, at his pleasure.

CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

- 1. Come unto Jesus, all you who are weary; Come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel. Here bring your wounded hearts, broken and needy; Trade all this world for His kingdom unfading; Come unto Jesus, mighty to heal.
- 2. Joy of the comfortless, Light for the straying, Hope of the penitent, Peace in our strife; Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying: "My yoke is easy, my burden is light."

Chorus

Come unto Jesus, Come unto Jesus. Lay down your burdens, He is enough; Come unto Jesus, rest in His love.

3. Come taste the Bread of Life, broken for sinners; Drink from the cup of His promise made sure. Feast at His table as sons and as daughters; Grace overflowing is yours evermore. Chorus

Come Unto Jesus

4. Come now and follow Him, this life forsaking: All that was gain, count as nothing but loss. Come unto Jesus, take up your cross; Come unto Jesus, take up your cross; Life everlasting He offers to us.

Come unto Jesus, Come unto Iesus. Lay down your burdens, He is enough; Come unto Iesus. Come unto Iesus. Lay down your burdens, He is enough; Come unto Jesus, rest in His love.

Chorus Come unto Jesus, rest in His love.

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When I Survey the Wonderous Cross

- 1. When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of Glory died, My richest gain I count but loss And pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2. Forbid it Lord that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that charm me most I sacrifice them to His blood.
- 3. See from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did e'er such love and sorrow meet. Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- 4. Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small, Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

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Christ is Risen

1. Let no one caught in sin remain
Inside the lie of inward shame,
But fix our eyes upon the cross
And run to Him, who showed great love
And bled for us;
Freely You bled for us.

Chorus

Christ is risen from the dead, Trampling over death by death; Come awake, come awake, Come and rise up from the grave! Christ is risen from the dead, We are one with Him again; Come awake, come awake, Come and rise up from the grave!

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2. Beneath the weight of all our sin, You bowed to none but heaven's will; No scheme of hell, no scoffer's crown, No burden great can hold You down. In strength You reign, Forever let Your church proclaim: Chorus

Bridge

O death, where is your sting?
O hell, where is your victory?
O church, come stand in the light.
The glory of God has defeated the night.
O death, where is your sting?
O hell, where is your victory?
O church, come stand in the light.
Our God is not dead;
He's alive! He's alive!
Chorus 2X

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. Amen.

BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL

Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

People: THANKS BE TO GOD!