

# October 1, 2023 – At Home Bulletin

#### **GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright.

Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings! Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!

Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love,

that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.

Our soul waits for the Lord; he is our help and our shield.

Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

adapted from Psalm 33

#### INVOCATION

### **SONGS OF PRAISE**

# Rejoice, the Lord is King

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.

#### Refrain:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above. (*Refrain*)

His kingdom cannot fail, he rules o'er earth and heav'n; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n. (*Refrain*)

He sits at God's right hand till all his foes submit, and bow to his command, and fall beneath his feet. (*Refrain*)

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come, and take his servants up to their eternal home. (*Refrain*) Charles Wesley (1746; alt.)

**Psalm 89:1-16**Tune: Ode to Joy

#### GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might." — *Deuteronomy 6:4-5* 

O Lord, we are your children, adopted by grace

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,

and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight,

so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.

You desire truth in the inward being;

therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

and put a new and right spirit within me.

Do not cast me from your presence,

and do not take your Holy Spirit from me.

Psalm 51

# **SILENT CONFESSION**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

I John 4:9-10

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

### PROFESSION OF FAITH

Christians, what do you believe?

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.

### **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

## **RECEPTION OF OFFERINGS**

### **PRAYER**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### **HYMN OF PREPARATION**

#### What Wondrous Love is This

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM, while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing, while millions join the theme, I will sing!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be, and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and through eternity I'll sing on!

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Malachi 1:1-5

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### **SERMON**

"Conquering Covenant Love"

Pastor Ian Hard

### **HYMN OF RESPONSE\***

#### Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.

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#### CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

If you are following along at home, please refrain from taking Communion as it is a form of worship meant to be celebrated in the physical presence of the body of Christ.

### **MERCY OFFERING**

#### HYMN OF SENDING

# How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure, That He should give His only Son, to make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away, As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory. Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders, Ashamed I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held Him there, until it was accomplished. His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom, But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.

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# **BENEDICTION**

**Sermon OUTLINE:** Conquering Covenant Love

God's Gracious Love

God's Powerful Love

God's Merciful Love

God's Glorious Love

God's Faithful Love