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At Home Bulletin

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

I will bless the LORD at all times;

His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the LORD;

Let the humble hear and be glad.

Oh, magnify the LORD with me,

And let us exalt his name together!

Psalm 34:1-3

INVOCATION*

SONGS OF PRAISE*

Wonderful Grace of Jesus

Wonderful grace of Jesus, greater than all my sin;
how shall my tongue describe it, where shall its praise begin?
Taking away my burden, setting my spirit free;
for the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.

Refrain:

Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus,
deeper than the mighty rolling sea;
Higher than the mountain, sparkling like a fountain,
all-sufficient grace for even me;
broader than the scope of my transgressions,
greater far than all my sin and shame,
O magnify the precious name of Jesus,
praise his name!

Wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching a mighty host,
by it I have been pardoned, saved to the uttermost,
Chains have been torn asunder, giving me liberty;
For the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me. *(refrain)*

Wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching the most defiled,
by its transforming power, making him God's dear child,
purchasing peace and heaven, for all eternity;
and the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me. *(refrain)*

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Step By Step

O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You.

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I will seek you in the morning

And I will learn to walk in your way;

And step by step You'll lead me,

And I will follow you all of my days. (2xs)

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and I will learn to walk Your way;

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CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord, let us consider the lilies and the sparrow.

**For if you provide for such as these,
then how can we doubt your care for us.**

**Yet we have taken control to meet our needs into our own hands,
instead of trusting in the hands that fashioned us
and hold us in love.**

**We have sown much, reaping little,
placing our wages in bags with holes.**

Gracious Father you have given us all things for your own glory.

**Forgive us for thinking that the splendors that you have created
and blessed us with are merely for our comfort.**

**Forgive us for placing our trust in our treasure,
whether enslaved to attaining it or retaining it.**

Lord, only in doing your will is their true joy and contentment.

**Help us to obey you with all our heart, soul, mind, time,
and treasure.**

Give us the faith to obey you, O gracious God.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

I John 1:7-9

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

What is the Church?

**God's Word declares, "There is one body and one Spirit--
just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call--
one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all,
who is over all and through all and in all.
But grace was given to each one of us
according to the measure of Christ's gift.**

How are we to live as the Church?

**All saints, that are united to Jesus Christ their Head,
by His Spirit, and by faith, have fellowship with Him in His graces,
sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory:
and, being united to one another in love,
they have communion in each other's gifts and graces,
and are obliged to the performance of such duties,
public and private, as do conduce to their mutual good,
both in the inward and outward man.**

Ephesians 4:4-7 and WCF 26:1

CHILDREN'S SERMON

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

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 *

The Feast

With wondering eyes, Lord we admire the feast prepared by grace;
Come, Lord, and set our souls on fire, and fill each heart with peace.
These emblems of thy precious love, by faith may we receive!
And with a solemn pleasure prove, we in thy name believe.

Refrain

We eat this bread, we drink this wine,
come give yourself to us.
We know you're here, that's why we've come,
to feast on thee with love.

No goodness of our own we bring; we're sinners vile and base;
Christ is our all; of Christ we sing, and long to see his face.
O may we each, with heart and tongue sing, "Worthy is the Lamb";
To him alone the praise belongs, and we'll adore his name. (*Refrain*)

Text: William Gadsby (verses), 1838 / Karl Digerness (ref), 2004

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6:16-18

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

SERMON

"Keeping the Fast"

Pastor Ian Hard

OUTLINE:

1. Emptying ourselves of the good . . .

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

Trust and Obey

When we walk with the Lord in the light of his Word,
what a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will, he abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain:

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies,
but his smile quickly drives it away;
not a doubt or a fear, not a sigh nor a tear,
can abide while we trust and obey. (*refrain*)

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he doth richly repay;
not a grief nor a loss, not a frown or a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey. (*refrain*)

But we never can prove the delights of his love
until all on the altar we lay;
for the favor he shows, and the joy he bestows,
are for them who will trust and obey. (*refrain*)

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet,
or we will walk by his side in the way;
what he says we will do, where he sends we will go,
never fear, only trust and obey. (*refrain*)

Text: John H. Sammis, 1887; Music: Daniel B. Towner 1887

BENEDICTION*

2. For God's better

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

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

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