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GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Great is the Lord

Exalted among the nations.

Mighty is the Lord

King of heaven and earth.

Holy is the Lord

Beyond our understanding.

Let us worship our God and King!

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own:
awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified:
no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise:
his reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet
fair flow'rs of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime:
all hail, Redeemer, hail! for thou hast died for me:
thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

Matthew Bridges (1851); music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey (1868)

Psalm 92

Tune: *Rejoice the Lord is King*

GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your
neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his
donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's. *Exodus 20:15-17*

God of exodus and wilderness, God of refuge and help,
hear us now as we make our confession to you.

In times of temptation we forget what you have done for us.

You give us everything we need,

yet we often remain unsatisfied;

and spoil what we have been given.

You show us the way we are to follow,

yet we often continue on the path

of self-indulgence and self-centeredness.

Forgive us, we pray.

We ask for your direction, your patience, your love,

**in the name of Jesus Christ, who, in spite of his temptations,
was faithful to your saving Word.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Colossians 1:11-14

May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might,
for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father,
who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.
He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the
kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption,
the forgiveness of sins.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

What is your only comfort in life and death?

**That I am not my own, but belong - body and soul, in life and in death -
to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with
His precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.**

He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

— *Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1*

How do you know this?

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

— *Romans 8:1, 28, 38-39*

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

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

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.

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.

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?

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.

Text: Isaac Watts (1707, 1709); Music: Lowell Mason (1824)

SCRIPTURE READING

Malachi 3:6-12

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

SERMON

“Come Back”

Pastor Ian Hard

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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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.

HYMN OF SENDING

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Chorus:

We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
He has done great things, we will say together.
We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord, our God.
We are not consumed by the flood;
upheld, protected, gathered up. (*chorus*)

In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid.
For the promised morning, oh, how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength. (*chorus*)

Ev'ry vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave,
bind us together, bring shalom. (*chorus*)

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BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: Come Back