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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

Come Christian Join and Sing Hymn #302

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!
loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!
let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;
praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!
let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
he is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll condescend;
his love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!
life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!
on heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore,
singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

Text: Christian H. Bateman, 1893; Music: Traditional,

Thy Mercy My God

Thy mercy my God is the theme of my song
The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue
Thy free grace alone from the first to the last
Hath won my affections and bound my soul fast.

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here
Sin would reduce me to utter despair
But through Thy free goodness my spirits revive
And He that first made me still keeps me alive.

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart
Dissolved by Thy goodness I fall to the ground
And weep for the praise of the mercy I found.

Chorus

Halleluiah (halleluiah halleluiah)

Great Father of mercies Thy goodness I own
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son
All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine
Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine
All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine
Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine.

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CONFESSION OF SIN

To you, O Lord, belongs all glory, honor, and power.

**Together we confess that we have not offered you
the glory and praise due your name.**

**We have placed ourselves at the center of the universe,
instead of glorifying you, the Creator of all things.**

Behold, you are making all things new.

**Forgive us for reducing the grandeur of your redemptive work
to an act just about us.**

**Forgive us for forgetting that you revealed in Christ
your plan to unite all things in him,
things in heaven and on earth.**

**Forgive us, for we have made ourselves so very big
and you so very small.**

**Restore to us a motivation from your salvation to be your servants declaring your wonder in all that we do.
Forgive us and restore us even now, we pray.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Romans 5:6-9

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person— though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

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 whole-heartedly 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 anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Rom 8)**

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

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that follow'st all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

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SCRIPTURE READING

I Samuel 24:1-22

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“A Hand Withheld”

Pastor Ian Hard

[Please find the sermon outline and/or space for notes after the *Benediction* at the end of bulletin.]

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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A Right View of Others

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

My Hope is in the Lord

My hope is in the Lord who gave himself for me,
And paid the price for all my sin at Calvary.

Chorus

For me he died, for me he lives
And everlasting life and light he freely gives.

No merit of my own his anger to suppress,
My only hope is found in Jesus' righteousness. *chorus*

And now for me he stands before the Father's throne
He shows his wounded hands, and names me as his own. *chorus*

His grace has planned it all, 'tis mine but to believe
And recognize his work of love and Christ receive. *chorus*

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A Right View of Ourselves

A Right View of Mercy

BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: A Hand Withheld

A Right View of God