

# March 5, 2023 | A Home Bulletin

#### **GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 65

### **INVOCATION\***

### **SONGS OF PRAISE\***

Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven
Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet your tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, his praise should sing?
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor to our fathers in distress; praise him, still the same forever, slow to chide and swift to bless; praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows; in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes; praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, widely as his mercy goes.

Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish, blows the wind and it is gone; but while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on. Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the High Eternal One.

Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face; sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.

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#### 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* 

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 8:2-4

For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH

What is the chief end of man?

Man's chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy him forever.

How did God create man?

God created man male and female, after his own image, in knowledge, righteousness, and holiness with dominion over the creatures.

Did our first parents continue in the estate wherein they were created?

Our first parents, being left to the freedom of their own will, fell from the estate wherein they were created, by sinning against God.

Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery?

God having, out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace, to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

The only Redeemer of God's elect, is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be God and man in two distinct natures, and one person forever.

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A #1, 10, 13, 20, 21

## **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

# Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you, To receive the food of your holy Word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in your likeness; That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us All your purposes for your glory.

Teach us Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes,
In the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time That will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on your promises; And by faith we'll walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, til your church is built, And the earth is filled with your glory.

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### **SCRIPTURE READING**

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

### **SERMON**

"Like Father, Like Children"

Pastor Ian Hard

I Peter 1:13-21

[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 Public Domain

## **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**

### 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!

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# **BENEDICTION**

Sermon NOTES: Like Father, Like Children