

March 7, 2021 | 3rd Sunday of Lent At Home Bulletin

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Hear this all peoples! Give ear, all inhabitants of the world, both low and high, rich and poor together!

Truly no man can ransom another or give to God the price of his life **Even the wise die and leave their wealth to others**

Man in his pomp will not remain But God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol for he will receive me. Let us praise God who delivers the humble from death! *From Psalm 49*

INVOCATION*

SONGS OF PRAISE*

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'Tis music in the sinners' ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin, he sets the pris'ner free; His blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me. He speaks and, list'ning to his voice, new life the dead receive; The mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise ye dumb, your loosen'd tongues employ; Ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy. Charles Wesley © Public Domain

Here I Am to Worship

Light of the world You stepped down into darkness Opened my eyes let me see Beauty that made this heart adore You, Hope of a life spent with You. *(chorus)*

Chorus

So here I am to worship, Here I am to bow down Here I am to say that You're my God And You're altogether lovely, Altogether worthy Altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days oh so highly exalted Glorious in heaven above Humbly You came to the earth You created All for love's sake became poor. *(chorus)*

Bridge And I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross And I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross. *(chorus twice)*

Here I am to worship.

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CONFESSION OF SIN

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me?

Lord we have turned away from you, our only hope.

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us, yet we act as if there is no reason for hope.

Your Son sacrificed for us, rose victorious over sin and death.

Forgive us Lord for our cynicism, our doubt, and our hopelessness. We confess that we find it easier to trust in our gadgets, our bank account, and our reputations than in the hope of the Eternal King. We claim to have the hope of the gospel, but despair at the prospect of suffering and persecution. Awake in us afresh a hopeful trust in you. You are our only hope for forgiveness and restoration.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 5:6-9

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 Questions 1, 10, 13, 20, & 21

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 *

His robes for mine: Oh wonderful exchange! Clothed in my sin, God suffered 'neath God's rage. Draped in His righteousness, I'm justified. In Christ I live, for in my place He died.

Chorus

I cling to Christ, and marvel at the cost: Jesus forsaken, and God estranged from God. Bought by such love, my life is not my own: My praise—my all—shall be for Christ alone.

His robes for mine: What cause have I for dread? God's daunting law Christ mastered in my stead. Faultless I stand, with righteous works not mine, Saved by my Lord's vicarious death and life. *(chorus)* His robes for mine: God's justice is appeased. Jesus is crushed, and thus the Father's pleased. Christ drank God's wrath on sin, then cried, "Tis done!" Sin's wage is paid; propitiation won. *(chorus)*

His robes for mine: such anguish none can know. Christ God's beloved, condemned as though His foe. He, as though I, accursed and left alone; I, as though He, embraced and welcomed home! *(chorus)* Text: Chris Anderson; Music: Gregg Habegger © 2008 Church Works Media. All rights reserved

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 5:1-10

Pastor Ian Hard

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

SERMON

"Heard by God"

Outline:

Jesus comes as our high priest...

1. Because God desires to hear us

2. Because humility is necessary to priestly service

3. To assure us of salvation

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. Public Domain

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Elders will distribute the elements to seats. Juice and wine are both available. We will partake together after all have been served.

MERCY OFFERING

HYMN OF SENDING

Blessed Assurance Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight; Angels descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *(refrain)*

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest; Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with his goodness, lost in his love. *(refrain)* Fanny Jane Crosby | Phoebe Palmer Knapp. © Public Domain

BENEDICTION*