

September 5, 2021 At Home Bulletin

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you

Psalm 67:1-5

INVOCATION*

SONGS OF PRAISE*

To God be the Glory

To God be the glory, great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, Who yielded his life an atonement for sin, And opened the life-gate that we may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father thro' Jesus the son, And give him the glory, great things he has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood! To ev'ry believer the promise of God; The vilest offender who truly believes, That moment from Jesus forgiveness receives. *(refrain)* Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; But purer and higher and greater will be, Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. (refrain) Text: Fanny Crosby; alt. Music: William Doane. Public Domain

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Let us love and sing and wonder Let us praise the Savior's name He has hushed the law's loud thunder He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame He has washed us with His blood (3xs) He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us Pitied us when enemies Called us by His grace and taught us Gave us ears and gave us eyes He has washed us with His blood (3xs) He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing though fierce temptation Threatens hard to bear us down For the Lord our strong salvation Holds in view the conqu'ror's crown He who washed us with His blood (3xs) Soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder grace and justice Join and point to mercy's store When through grace in Christ our trust is Justice smiles and asks no more He who washed us with His blood (3xs) Has secured our way to God. Let us praise and join the chorus Of the saints enthroned on high Here they trusted Him before us Now their praises fill the sky Thou hast washed us with Thy blood (3xs) Thou art worthy Lamb of God.

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CONFESSION OF SIN

O Lord, you have commanded each of us to love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

We confess that we have fallen short;
we do not love you as we ought.

You command us to love our neighbor as ourselves. You have commanded us, even, to love our enemies. Our actions have denied you in the way we have not loved all those who bear your i mage. We have failed to love those born and unborn, the young and the old, the rich and the poor, those like us and unlike us.

O Lord we confess our sins to you; we ask for your mercy.

Enable us to love as you have loved us, to embrace the ministry of reconciliation you have entrusted to us.

You are God over every nation, language, tribe, skin color, and class.

Help us to bear witness to the truth in love, to all who live in your world.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 5:8-10

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Who were we?

For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—everyone—to his own way. Who are we?

For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek;

for the same Lord is Lord of all,

bestowing his riches on all who call on him.

For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for we are all one in Christ Jesus. And if we are Christ's, then we are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

Who will we be?

Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man.

He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.

He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore,

for the former things have passed away.

Adapted from Is 53; Rom 3; 10; I Cor 15; Rev 21

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 *

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure, That He should give His only Son, to make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away, As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders, Ashamed I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held Him there, until it was accomplished. His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom, But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom. ©1995 Thankyou Music/PRS

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SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:38-48

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

SERMON

"Resisting Evil"

Pastor Ian Hard

NOTES:

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.

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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

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*