



The Lord's Day | January 9, 2022
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Preparation

Prelude

Call to Worship

Psalm 147:7-11

Leader: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre!

All: He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth; he makes grass grow on the hills.

Leader: He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry.

All: His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the legs of a man, but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

Prayer of Adoration

Hymns of Adoration

Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

Come ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore.

Jesus ready stands to save you, full of mercy, love and power.

He is able, he is able, he is willing, doubt no more.

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Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall;

if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.

Come ye thirsty, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;

true belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
all the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him.

This he gives you, this he gives you, 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

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Come in praise and adoration, all who on Christ's name believe.

Worship Him with consecration, grace and love you will receive.

Come into his courts with gladness, each his sacred vows renew;

turn away from sin and sadness, be transformed with life anew.

The God Of Abraham Praise

The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above,
 Ancient of everlasting days and God of love.
 Jehovah! Great I AM! by earth and heav'n confessed;
 I bow and bless the sacred name, forever blest.

The God of Abraham praise, at whose supreme command
 from earth I rise, and seek the joys at his right hand.
 I all on earth forsake, its wisdom, fame, and pow'r,
 and him my only portion make, my shield and tow'r.

He by himself hath sworn, I on his oath depend;
 I shall, on eagles' wings upborne, to heav'n ascend,
 I shall behold his face, I shall his pow'r adore,
 and sing the wonders of his grace forevermore.

The goodly land I see, with peace and plenty blest,
 a land of sacred liberty and endless rest.
 There milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound,
 and trees of life forever grow, with mercy crowned.

There dwells the Lord our King, the Lord our Righteousness,
 triumphant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace.
 On Zion's sacred height his kingdom he maintains,
 and glorious with his saints in light forever reigns.

The whole triumphant host gives thanks to God on high;
 "Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" they ever cry.
 Hail Abraham's God and mine! I join the heav'nly lays;
 all might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.

God, Be Merciful To Me

God, be merciful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea;
 plenteous in compassion thou, blot out my transgressions now;
 wash me, make me pure within, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess, grief and guilt my soul oppress;
 I have sinned against thy grace, and provoked thee to thy face;
 I confess thy judgment just, speechless, I thy mercy trust.

Broken, humbled to the dust, by thy wrath and judgment just,
 let my contrite heart rejoice, and in gladness hear thy voice;
 from my sins O hide thy face, blot them out in boundless grace.

Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true;
 cast me not away from thee, let thy Spirit dwell in me;
 thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart

Sinners then shall learn from me, and return O God to thee;
Savior all my guilt remove, and my tongue shall sing thy love;
touch my silent lips O Lord, and my mouth shall praise accord.

Confession of Faith Westminster Confession of Faith

Questions 70-72

Leader: Which is the seventh commandment?

All: The seventh commandment is: **You shall not commit adultery.**

Leader: What is required in the seventh commandment?

All: The seventh commandment requires us to preserve our own and our neighbor's chastity in heart, speech, and behavior.

Leader: What is forbidden in the seventh commandment?

All: The seventh commandment forbids all impure thoughts, words, and actions.

Call to Confession of Sin

Mark 7:14-23

¹⁴ And he called the people to him again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵ There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him."
¹⁷ And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸ And he said to them, "Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, ¹⁹ since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.)
²⁰ And he said, "What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹ For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²² coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³ All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Galatians 5:22-25

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.

Hymn of Assurance

Before the Throne Of God Above

Before the throne of God above I have a strong, a perfect plea;
a great High Priest whose name is love who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart:
I know that while in heav'n he stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,

upward I look, and see him there who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free.
For God, the just, is satisfied to look on him and pardon me,
to look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there the risen lamb, my perfect spotless, righteousness.
The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace!
Alive in him; I cannot die, my soul is purchased by his blood.
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,
with Christ my Savior and my God.

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Prayer for Offering

Offertory

Doxology

Hymn 731

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Doug Domin

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 40:1-5

¹ Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.

² Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins.

³ A voice cries:

"In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

⁴ Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.

⁵ And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all flesh shall see it together,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

New Testament Reading

Mark 1:1-8

¹ The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. ² As it is written in Isaiah the prophet,

“Behold, I send my messenger before your face,
who will prepare your way,

³ the voice of one crying in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight,’ ”

⁴ John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

⁵ And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶ Now John was clothed with camel’s hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ And he preached, saying, “After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸ I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

Sermon

The Book of Mark
“Only the Beginning”

Ken Langley

Song of Rejoicing

Here Is Love

Here is love, vast as the ocean, lovingkindness as the flood,
when the Prince of Life, our Ransom, shed for us his precious blood.
Who his love will not remember? Who can cease to sing his praise?
He can never be forgotten, throughout Heav’n’s eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion, fountains opened deep and wide;
through the floodgates of God’s mercy flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love, like mighty rivers, poured incessant from above,
and Heav’n’s peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love.

Let me all thy love accepting, love thee, ever all my days;
let me seek thy kingdom only and my life be to thy praise;
thou alone shalt be my glory, nothing in the world I see.
Thou hast cleansed and sanctified me, thou thyself hast set me free.

In thy truth thou dost direct me by thy Spirit through thy Word;
and thy grace my need is meeting, as I trust in thee, my Lord.
Of thy fullness thou art pouring thy great love and power on me,
without measure, full and boundless, drawing out my heart to thee.

Benediction

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