

Welcome to Worship September 20, 2020



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WORSHIP SERVICE

September 20, 2020Ordinary Time

Prelude Words of Welcome and Announcements

gathering

Call to Worship (Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45)

Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.

Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles and the judgments he pronounced, you his servants, the descendants of Abraham, his chosen ones, the children of Jacob.

He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

He remembers his covenant forever, the promise he made, for a thousand generations, the covenant he made with Abraham, the oath he swore to Isaac. He brought out Israel, laden with silver and gold, and from among their tribes no one faltered. Egypt was glad when they left, because dread of Israel had fallen on them. He spread out a cloud as a covering, and a fire to give light at night. They asked, and he brought them quail; he fed them well with the bread of heaven. He opened the rock, and water gushed out; it flowed like a river in the desert. For he remembered his holy promise given to his servant Abraham. He brought out his people with rejoicing, his chosen ones with shouts of joy; he gave them the lands of the nations, and they fell heir to what others had toiled for—that they might keep his precepts and observe his laws.

Praise the Lord.

praise

Songs of Praise

"His Eye is On The Sparrow" (#441 vs. 1-3) "Day By Day" (#437 vs. 1-3)

God's Greeting

renewal

Song of Invitation: "Come Unto Me" (composed and arr. by Jack Hickman)

Prayer of Confession and Mercy (based on LUYH #627)

Loving God, we come to you in the name of Jesus. Sensing that you loved us before we could ever love you, we come to you as sinners who confess our need for your forgiveness. Trusting in your power, we long to turn away from all that keeps us from you. With the family of faith in all times and places, we believe that salvation comes through the grace of Jesus Christ. Thank you, Holy Spirit, for the indescribable gift of your steadfast love and mercy. May your justice and will be done in our lives, and here in your creation, until you make it renewed again. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Hymn of Assurance: "You Are Mine" (#430 vs. 1-3)

Call to Commitment based on New City Catechism QA 34-35, & 37

Q: Since we are redeemed by grace alone, through Christ alone, must we still do good works and obey God's Word?

A: Yes, because Christ, having redeemed us by his blood, also renews us by his Spirit; so that our lives may show love and gratitude to God; so that we may be assured of our faith by the fruits; and so that by our godly behavior others may be won to Christ.

Q: Since we are redeemed by grace alone, through faith alone, where does this faith come from?

A: All the gifts we receive from Christ we receive through the Holy Spirit, including faith itself.

Q: How does the Holy Spirit help us?

A: The Holy Spirit convicts us of our sin, comforts us, guides us, gives us spiritual gifts and the desire to obey God; and he enables us to pray and to understand God's Word.

Response

Prayers of the People Opportunity for Tithes and Offerings (Designated Offering: Benevolence Fund)

proclamation

Scripture: Exodus 6:13 - 7:13

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God! Sermon: The Final Draft

Hymn of Response: "How Firm A Foundation" (#427 vs. 1-4)

sending

*Benediction

*Doxology "How Firm A Foundation" (#427 vs. 5)

Postlude

Participants:

Preaching: Rev. Mark Hofman

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