

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

March 14, 2021

"Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered." Hebrews 5:8

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our worship is a response to God's initiative. The pattern of our worship reflects the gospel.

*CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 18

Leader: I love you, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised.

All: For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?

Leader: The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation.

All: I will praise you, O LORD, among the nations, and sing to your name.

*ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME - Hymn #296 vs. 1, 3, 5-6 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all! Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall, Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all! Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all! To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng, we at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!

*PRAYER OF PRAISE

*SCRIPTURE OF PRAISE: Psalm 13:5-6

All: I trust in your steadfast love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. I will sing to the LORD, because he has dealt bountifully with me.

*GLORY BE/AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world; Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world; have mercy on us (*Alleluia*), have mercy on us (*Repeat*)

(Chorus)
Glory be to the Father, Amen.
Glory be to the Son, Amen.
Glory be to the Spirit, Amen, Amen.

Son of God, set me free from all that I own; Son of God, capture me and make me your own; have mercy on us (*Alleluia*), have mercy on us (*Chorus 2x*)

Amen, Amen.

Call to Worship

Worship begins with God who invites us and welcomes us into his presence. Because of Christ, we can approach God with boldness even though we are sinful

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Call to Confession

We all sin daily, in thought and word and deed. As we come into God's presence, we acknowledge how we have rebelled against our King and seek his forgiveness.

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: Psalm 51:5-6, 16-17

Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me. Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart ... For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

All: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

(Psalm 51:1-4, 10)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: Psalm 23:1-4

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

*JESUS IS MINE

Fade, fade, each earthly joy; Jesus is mine. Stronger than fleeting hopes, Jesus is mine. Dark is the wilderness, earth has no resting place, Jesus alone can bless; Jesus is mine.

In days of fragile peace, Jesus is mine.
Through tearful nights of grief, Jesus is mine.
His voice commands the storm, His presence stills my soul,
He will sustain my hope; Jesus is mine.

(Chorus)
Jesus is mine, Jesus is mine,
When all else fails, He still remains;
Jesus is mine.

When on that final day, Jesus is mine;
Before his radiant face, Jesus is mine.
Safe in his arms I'll cling, Praising my Savior King,
Forevermore I'll sing: "Jesus is mine."
(Chorus 2x)

OFFERTORY: (Offerings can be mailed to the church or given online at faithcov.com) Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church during 11 a.m. services (downstairs corner classroom)

Offering

We give back to God a portion of what he has given us to use to declare that he is Lord of all. (This is part of our service as a church family, and visitors should not feel obligated to participate.)

Sermon Series: Hebrews — Finish the Race Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D. The Humble High Priest — Hebrews 5:1-10 (ESV)

For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ² He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. ³ Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴ And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵ So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; ⁶ as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸ Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹ And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰ being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

Sermon Outline

- I. Jesus is appointed by God
- II. Jesus is our source of salvation

Sermon Questions

- 1. How does knowing Jesus is our high-priest by the call of God comfort these Christians struggling with persecution?
- 2. What does the introduction of Melchizedek do for understanding who Jesus is?
- 3. Regarding Jesus learning through suffering, consider: "It signifies obedience to the call to suffer death in accordance with the revealed will of God."—W. Lane. How did Jesus demonstrate this?

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Sermon

God addresses and speaks to us by the reading and preaching of his Word. Both Christians and non-Christians need to hear the good news of salvation and grow in it.

- 4. The humility of Christ instructs our own approach to life and especially to suffering. Where have you struggled with a humble acceptance of your life? What is the difference between an active passivity and simply giving up?
- 5. Consider: "Every person who hears the gospel is obliged to believe it. It is a summons, a command from God. You must obey. You must believe in Christ. Anything else is rebellion and disobedience. The gospel is not only an invitation to be saved by faith in Christ; it is a command to be obeyed." —R. Rayburn. How is this truth fitted with grace?

Children's Question

Jesus suffered for his people so that he could save us from sin and death. How does this help us in our own suffering?

*COME BEHOLD THE WONDROUS MYSTERY

Come behold the wondrous mystery, in the dawning of the King He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come Look to Christ, who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, he the perfect Son of Man In his living, in his suffering, never trace nor stain of sin See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law, in him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold Bringing many sons to glory, grace unmeasured, love untold

Come behold the wondrous mystery, slain by death the God of life But no grave could e'er restrain him, praise the Lord, He is alive What a foretaste of deliverance, how unwavering our hope Christ in power resurrected, as we will be when he comes.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Wine is located in the two outer rings; juice is located in the center ring.

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

The Lord's Supper

The gospel is not only heard, but visibly seen as God invites us to commune with him at his table. In the Lord's Supper we remember and experience Jesus' saving work.

Benediction

Just as worship begins with God's call, it ends with God sending us into the world with his word of grace. We go forth to live and serve by the power of his grace, not our own strength.

*THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION - Hymn #347, vs. 1, 2, 4-6

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord she is his new creation by water and the Word from heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war she waits the consummation of peace forevermore till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee

*BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Salvation Army

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Jim & Jill Hadlock, Orlando, Cru Jesus Film Project

VESPERS: Join us TONIGHT at 6:30 p.m. for our monthly Vespers service.

GOOD FRIDAY services will be Friday, April 2, at 6 p.m. (masks required) and 8 p.m. Easter services will be 8, 9:30 (masks required) and 11 a.m. There will be no Sunday School on March 28 & April 4.

PALM SUNDAY CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Kids ages 4 to 6th grade are invited to sing on Mar. 28 at 9:30 (masked) or 11 a.m. Sign up at faithcov.com or the office (752-2400).

SERVING: March Deacon – Bruce Tulloch

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Children's Church: 11 Don Olmsted Nursery: 11 S. Thompson/Streich

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Susie Sullivan/Staci Bennett

Next Sunday, March 21th

Children's Church: 11 Julie Thompson Nursery: 11 Dawn Tinkham

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Carolyn Duncan/Gloria Johnson

Sunday Worship Services 8, 9:30 & 11 am, 6:30 pm

Streaming 11 am

Vespers

2nd Sunday of the month

6:30 p.m. **Wednesday Youth Group**

Jr High 4:30-6 pm, Sr High 7-9

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