

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

October 30, 2022 Reformation Sunday

"Love...is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs."

1 Corinthians 13:5

#### **God Calls Us**

The Lord summons his people to worship and we respond in obedience. The Lord's call is a call to action. We gather, praise, adore, give thanks, etc. The Call to Worship is a joyful summons and a clear reminder that worship is our coming into God's presence by his command, and not our command that He come into our presence.

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 117

Leader: Praise the Lord, all you nations;

All: extol him, all you peoples

Leader: For great is his love toward us, and the faithfulness of the

Lord endures forever.

All: Praise the Lord.

# \*PRAISE TO THE LORD THE ALMIGHTY - Hymn #53, vs. 1-2, 4-5

Praise to the Lord the Almighty, the King of creation O my soul praise Him for He is thy health and salvation All ye who hear now to His temple draw near Join me in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth Hast thou not seen, how thy desires e'er have been Granted in what he ordaineth

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee Decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee

> How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief Spreading his wings to o'ershade thee

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him All that hath life and breath come now with praises before Him Let the amen sound from His people again Gladly fore'er we adore Him \*

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#### \*PRAYER OF PRAISE

#### \*THE LORD IS MY SALVATION

The grace of God has reached for me And pulled me from the raging sea And I am safe on this solid ground The Lord is my salvation

I will not fear when darkness falls
His strength will help me scale these walls
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun
The Lord is my salvation

(Chorus)

Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faithful in love My debt is paid and the vict'ry won, the Lord is my salvation

My hope is hidden in the Lord He flow'rs each promise of His Word When winter fades I know spring will come The Lord is my salvation

And when I reach the final day
He will not leave me in the grave
But I will rise, He will call me home
The Lord is my salvation
(Chorus 2x)

Glory be to God the Father
Glory be to God the Son
Glory be to God the Spirit
The Lord is our salvation (Bridge 2x)
The Lord is our salvation (2x)

# God Consecrates Us

Consecrate means to make holy, to set apart. The Word of God does that for the lives of believers. Through the sermon, confessions of faith, and the offering we are sanctified for service to our Lord to joyfully offer up our lives to him.

# COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

# SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: 1 Corinthians 6:9-11

Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

All: My God and my Creator, I have sinned against you, not only outwardly, but much more with inward blindness, unbelief, doubts, impatience, pride, covetousness, envy, hatred, malice and other sinful affections. I repent of these things, am sorry for them, and ask you for mercy, for the sake of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ.

#### SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

## DECLARATION OF GRACE: Psalm 28:6-7

Blessed be the LORD! For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy. The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

## \*COMMON CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds: God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven. and is seated at the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets.

And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

In the fourth century, Christian leaders gathered to express the truths of our Christian faith against heresy. This creed is the result. When we recite this creed together, we are affirming and remembering the faith that is universally held by all Christians throughout history (the word 'catholic' simply means 'universal'). In our worship, we are connected with others in the past, the present, and the future.

**Nicene Creed** 

## \*ALL MUST BE WELL

Through the love of God our Savior all will be well
Free and changeless is His favor all is well
Precious is the blood that healed us
Perfect is the grace that sealed us
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us
All must be well

Though we pass through tribulation all will be well
Ours is such a full salvation all is well
Happy still in God confiding
Fruitful if in Christ abiding
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding
All must be well

We expect a bright tomorrow all will be well
Faith can sing through days of sorrow all is well
On our Father's love relying
Jesus ev'ry need supplying
Yes in living and in dying
All must be well

On our Father's love relying, Jesus ev'ry need supplying Yes in living or in dying all must be well

#### ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF ELDERS

Jason Davis Sean Iddings

#### INSTALLATION OF DEACON:

Wade Carroll

#### **OFFERTORY & RESPONSE**

Reminder: please sign and pass the Attendance Register down the pew. Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church (downstairs Corner Classroom)

# I WILL TRUST MY SAVIOR JESUS

I will trust my savior Jesus When my darkest doubts befall Trust Him when to simply trust Him Seems the hardest thing of all

I will trust my savior Jesus Trust Him when my strength is small For I know the shield of Jesus Is the safest place of all

(Chorus)
Jesus, only Jesus
Help me trust You more and more
Jesus, only Jesus
May my heart be ever Yours

I will trust my savior Jesus He has said His way is best And I know the path He's chosen Leads to everlasting rest (Chorus)

(Bridgex2)

Oh on that cross, how it was seen
I can go now ever trusting in the One who died for me
What could I bring, for Your gift is complete
So I trust You, simply trust You, Lord with every part of me
(Chorusx2)

#### 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: 1 Corinthians 13—The Nature of Love Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D. Nailed It: 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (NIV)

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. <sup>5</sup>It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. <sup>6</sup>Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup>It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

#### Sermon Outline

Since in Christ, the Lord has canceled our record of sins, we must also keep no record of wrongs done to us.

I. Easily Ruffled and Slow to Forget

II. Slow fuse and short memory

# Questions for Further Reflection:

- 1. Henry Drummond points out that one of the strangest and saddest problems of ethics is the combination of a person with a high moral character who is also easily offended. Easily ruffled and doggedly correct—what is the antidote to this? How might you correct this person as a friend?
- 2. Paul uses the word for "reckoned" or "counted" here in verse 5 and also in Romans 4:3-11, Romans 4:22-24, Galatians 3:6, and 2 Corinthians 5:19. How does being justified by faith alone enable us to release others of their debt to us?
- 3. Consider: "Love cannot change the fact that my neighbor gets on my nerves, but love as self-giving can rule out my allowing myself to be provoked by him. The Christian cannot become an antagonist of his neighbor." —Karl Barth. Where have you become an antagonist to others (in politics, online forums, chats, social media, etc)?
- 4. Colossians 2:13-15 gives us a clear picture of what Christ has done to our record of wrongs. This is an easy concept to understand but why is it so difficult to carry out when we apply this to wrongs done to us?

# Children's Question

It's easy to remember the wrongs done to us by others. How does Jesus's forgiveness of our sins help us to forget?

#### 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.

# \*BE THOU MY VISION - Hymn #642 (v. 1-2, 4-5)

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art thou my best thought, by day or by night; waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my great Father; I thy true son, thou in me dwelling and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise; thou mine inheritance, now and always; thou and thou only first in my heart, high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

# CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

# God Communes with Us

The Lord strengthens and nourishes our faith through a sacramental meal. Through Jesus, communion with God has been reestablished. The covenant has been renewed. The Lord's Supper is the gospel made visible for us and we share in it as the full community of God's

people.

We observe the Lord's Supper each Lord's Day as the climax of our worship service. We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body—the Church. Visiting children who have not been examined by their church's leadership, we ask to refrain. By sharing in the Supper, you are acknowledging to our church that you are in covenant with our Triune God through the person and work of Jesus Christ. If you are in doubt about your participation, please refrain. Wine and bread are the elements of the supper as instituted by Jesus Christ. We recommend the use of wine; however we offer both juice and wine in the tray to allow true liberty of conscience.

#### PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

8:15 Elder Matt Riley— 11 Elder Trent Neumann

#### \*ALL GLORY BE TO CHRIST

Should nothing of our efforts stand, no legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house, in vain its builders strive
To you who boast tomorrow's gain, tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn, all glory be to Christ

# (Chorus)

All glory be to Christ our king, All glory be to Christ His rule and reign we'll ever sing, All glory be to Christ

His will be done His kingdom come, on earth as is above Who is Himself our daily bread, praise Him the Lord of love Let living water satisfy, the thirsty without price We'll take a cup of kindness yet, all glory be to Christ (Chorus)

When on the day the great I Am, the faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain, is making all things new
Behold our God shall live with us, and be our steadfast light
And we shall e're his people be, all glory be to Christ
(Chorus)

#### \*BENEDICTION

If you are in need of personal prayer, an elder is available up front after the service.

## God Commissions Us

Having been richly blessed by the Lord in our worship, we are sent forth as his ambassadors of reconciliation into the world. Our worship of God as his people now extends into our lives throughout the week. We are to offer ourselves as living sacrifices to him in all areas of our lives.

## Leaders & Staff

Senior Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D. — Associate Pastor John Sackett

Assistant Pastor (Youth): Ben Melli Music Director/Assistant: Lisa Iddings/Laura Sackett Refuge Director: Sissy Hashley Staff: Jenny Mattern, Hanni Hanson, Carlynn Stahlberg, Kelly Brown Elders: Tim Anderson, Jason Davis, Sean Iddings, Tom Jentz, Trent Neumann, Don Olmsted, Matt Riley, Micah Tinkham

Deacons: Wade Carroll Terry Falk, Kyle Hanson, Micah Hill, Ryan Petersen, Mike Stahlberg, Bruce Tulloch

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Church at Creston, Pastor Kyle Winter MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: David & Ulrike Byle, serving in Berlin

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES: It's that time again! Box labels are available in the foyer, or you can print your own at samaritanspurse.org. Please do not include toothpaste, candy, or any other food. The shipping cost is \$10/box. Collection Sunday will be Nov. 13.

YOUTH GROUP LEAF RAKING: The youth group will gather at the church from 9am to noon on Saturday, Nov. 5, to minister to nearby families by raking their leaves. This is a BYOR event. (Bring Your Own Rake)

TIME CHANGE REMINDER! Remember to move your clocks back an hour on Sunday, Nov. 6, when Daylight Savings Time ends.

VESPERS SERVICE: Come unplug and recharge with this evening service of prayer and song that takes place the second Sunday of every month at 6:30 p.m. The next one will be Nov. 13.

FAITH COVENANT EMAIL LISTS: To be added to church prayer lists and the Friday eNewsletter, please contact us at office@faithcov.com

CHURCH DIRECTORY: We are in the process of updating the Faith Covenant Directory. If you want to be included in the directory and/or would like to replace your old family photo with a more recent one, email the church office (office@faithcov.com) by Nov. 14. Note: Please send all photos in IPEG format.

#### **WEEKLY/MONTHLY SERVING:** October Deacon - Ryan Petersen Today (1st service/2nd service) **Sunday Worship Services** Ushers: Hadley & Duncan/T. Anderson 8:15 & 11 am **Vespers**

Children's Church: H. Hanson/Pastor Ben Nursery: K. Brown & Y. Hernandez

Fellowship Hosts: Janis Orndorf & Kim Hansen

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Carolyn Duncan/Jeanie Brenneman

**Next Sunday November 6th** 

Ushers: Sullivan/Bay

Children's Nicole Hill/Micah Tinkham

Nursery: Lancasters

Fellowship Hosts: Carolyn Duncan & Alyssa Hobus Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fosberys/Yvonne Hernandez

2nd Sunday @ 6:30 pm **Elder/Deacon Meeting** 3rd Tuesdays 7 pm Wednesdays Men's Breakfast 6:30 am Jr High Youth @ 5 pm Sr. High Youth @ 6:30 pm Career Group 7 pm