



Christ Presbyterian Church

March 29, 2020

Morning Worship Service

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The Prelude

My Jesus Has Done All Things Well

(You may use the following song for quiet reflection as you prepare to worship.)

<https://hymncollective.bandcamp.com/track/my-jesus-has-done-all-things-well>

Call to Worship

Psalm 46:1-3, 10-11

(If you are with your whole family, the dads can read the part of “pastor” and let the family respond as the congregation. If you are on your own, simply read the words out loud and reflect on their meaning as you speak. The words are used to explain why we worship Him and to entice us to do so.)

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

Congregation: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging

Pastor: He says, “Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.

Congregation: The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Pastor: Let us Worship God!

The Hymn of Praise

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8XUYZoguhEQ>

The Invocation

(You may use the prayer below to ask the Lord’s presence as you worship Him.)

Our Father, you are in heaven...high and lifted up...higher than our highest thoughts. Holy is your name; beside you there is no other! You are God and you alone! Receive us into your Kingdom- the coming Kingdom- the Kingdom of your anointed Son Jesus whose name we bear. Receive us, for we come to you in his name...we pray in him and through him. For yours is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory. Father, Son and Holy Spirit. One God, now and forever, Amen. (Adapted from: Leading in Prayer- Invocation 1)

Heidelberg Catechism

(Confess together the answer to Question 1)

I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood and has set me free from all the power of the devil.

He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation.

Therefore, by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for him.

(Ask one family member to read the next question out loud. Then all join together to read the answer.)

Question 2 - What do you need to know in order to live and die in the joy of this comfort?

Answer- First, how great my sins and misery are; second, how I am delivered from all my sins and misery; third, how I am to be thankful to God for such deliverance.

New Testament Lesson

Philippians 2:1-13

(This passage tells us about Christ's example of humility. His humility secures our salvation and growth in holiness. As a result of the humility and exaltation of Christ, you are called to strive to embrace the ongoing work of the Holy Spirit in your life.)

Confession of Sin

Titus 2:11-12

(Read this passage and quietly confess your sins to the Lord. After the silent time, join together with the prayer of confession listed below.)

Silent Confession

Prayer of Confession

(Adapted from *The Valley of Vision*, p. 170)

"God of all life, quicken me to call upon your name, for my mind is ignorant, my thoughts wander, my affections are bound to this earth, my heart unbelieving and only your Spirit can help my infirmities. I approach you as Father and friend, my portion forever, my exceeding joy, my strength of heart. I believe in you as the one and only true God, the ordainer of providence, the sender of Jesus my Savior. My guilty fears discourage an approach to you, but I praise you for the blessed news that Jesus reconciles me to you. Amen."

Assurance of Pardon

Colossians 1:21

“And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him.”

If you are trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior. If you rest upon him, alone for your salvation. God’s word declares that your sins are forgiven in and through Christ. In Jesus, you are adopted to live as a son or daughter of your Heavenly Father. With thankful heart, please sing....

The Hymn of Response

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t24uLvayvsM>

The Offertory Prayer

Lord of Heaven and Earth. All that we have comes from you. You provide for us daily with food, clothing, shelter, and so many conveniences that make life pleasant. The greatest treasure we have, is your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. He is our Savior, mediator, brother, protector and King. We thank you for the salvation which is ours through his righteousness. We give these gifts back to you, with thankful hearts. You have given to us, freely....now we give back to you with thanksgiving!

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

After worship, feel free to send a check to P.O. Box 2016 Auburn, AL. 36831 or you may go to this link and give online. <https://christpresauburn.org/online-giving/>

Pastoral Prayer

(Follow this link to our pastoral prayer and the sermon.)

<https://christpresauburn.org/sermons/>

Old Testament Lesson

Genesis 33

The Preaching of the Word of God

“When God Goes Before You”

The Hymn of Response

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NjfToqk5w5g>

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

²⁴ The Lord bless you and keep you;

²⁵ the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

²⁶ the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Doxology

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

Sermon Outline

Main idea - Patiently, God grows his people through grace.

1) Not Quite Courageous- (v1-11)

2) Not Yet Perfect- (v12-17)

3) Not Quite Home- (v18-20)

Hymn lyrics

The Prelude

My Jesus Has Done All Things Well

*O for a heart prepared to sing,
To God, my Savior and my King;
While with his saints I join to tell,
My Jesus has done all things well.*

*Soon shall I pass the vale of death
And in his arms shall lose my breath;
Yet then my happy soul shall tell,
My Jesus has done all things well.*

*How sovereign, wonderful, and free,
Is all his love to sinful me!
He plucked me as a brand from hell;
My Jesus has done all things well.*

*And when to that bright world I rise,
And join the anthems in the skies,
Among the rest this note shall swell,
My Jesus has done all things well.*

*And since my soul has known his love,
What mercies has he made me prove;
Mercies which all my praise excel;
My Jesus has done all things well.*

The Hymn of Praise

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

*A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing;
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow'r are great, and, armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.*

*Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same;
And he must win the battle.*

*And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us;
The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure,
One little word shall fell him.*

*That word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him Who with us sideth;
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still,
His kingdom is forever.*

The Hymn of Response

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners

*Jesus! What a friend for sinners
Jesus, lover of my soul
Friends may fail me, foes assail me
He, my savior, makes me whole*

Chorus:

*Hallelujah! What a savior!
Hallelujah! What a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving
He is with me to the end*

*Jesus! What a strength in weakness
Let my hide myself in Him
Tempted, tried, and often failing
He my strength, my victory wins*

Chorus

*Jesus! What a help in sorrow
While the billows o'er me roll
Even when my heart is breaking,
He, my Comfort, helps my soul*

Chorus

*Jesus! I do now receive him
More than all in Him I find
He has granted me forgiveness,
I am His and He is mine.*

Chorus 2x

The Hymn of Response

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*Come, Thou Fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy, never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it
Mount of Thy redeeming love*

*Here I raise my Ebenezer
Here there by Thy great help I've come
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wandering from the fold of God
He, to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood*

*Oh, that day when freed from sinning
I shall see Thy lovely face
Cloth-ed then in blood washed linen
How I'll sing Thy wondrous grace
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry
Take my ransomed soul away
Send Thine angels now to carry
Me to realms of endless day*

*Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let thy goodness like a fetter
Bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above*