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~Morning Service of Worship~

The Lord's Day - December 27, 2020

10:45 AM

Welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ! If you are visiting with us, we are so glad you came. Children are welcome throughout our worship service. We have a nursery available for children 3 and under. Children 4-5 years of age may be dismissed to Children's Worship prior to the sermon.

Prelude

***Song of Assembly - O Worship the King #2 vs 1,2,4,5**

O worship the King, all glorious above,
And gratefully sing, His power and His love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
Whose robe is the light, Whose canopy space,
Whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In You do we trust, nor find You to fail;
Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship - Psalm 106:1

Congregation: Praise the LORD! Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever!

Invocation

Confession of Faith - The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;

He descended into *hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy *catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(*“descended into hell” meaning the grave; “catholic” meaning universal or worldwide, not Roman Catholic)

***Hymn of Praise - Hail to the Lord's Anointed**

[Chorus:] Hail to the Lord's anointed, great David's greater Son!

Hail in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun!

His reign on earth begun!

He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free,

To take away transgression, and rule in equity. (Chorus)

He comes in succor speedy to those who suffer wrong,

To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong.

To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,

Whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in His sight. (Chorus)

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth,

Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in His path to birth. (Chorus)

The tide of time shall never His covenant remove.

His Name shall stand forever, That Name to us is Love. (Chorus)

[2012, Indellible Grace Music, Sandra McCracken]

Confession of Sin - O Lord, we cling to that trustworthy saying: “Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners - of whom I am the worst.”

Forgive us, Lord, for not admitting the depth of our sin and corruption, our pride, our selfishness, our lusts, our vanity, and our continual excusing of our sinful choices.

Forgive us, Lord, for not believing in the depth of Your love for us; love that sent You to the cross to suffer and die in the place of sinners. Forgive us, Lord, for not resting in the assurance of Your forgiveness. Forgive us, Lord, for not trusting in the promises of Your eternal Word.

O Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, create in us enduring faith in Your salvation.
Amen.

Assurance of Pardon - Lamentations 3:22-23

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;
His mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.

***Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs**

Not What My Hands Have Done

Not what my hands have done can save my guilty soul;
Not what my toiling flesh has borne can make my spirit whole.
Not what I feel or do can give me peace with God;
Not all my prayers, and sighs and tears
Can bear my awful load.

Thy work alone, O Christ, can ease this weight of sin
Thy blood alone O Lamb of God, can give me peace within.
Thy love to me O God, not mine, O Lord, to Thee
Can rid me of this dark unrest,
And set my spirit free!

Thy grace alone, O God, to me can pardon speak;
Thy power alone O Son of God, can this sore bondage break.
No other work, save Thine, no other blood will do,
No strength save that, which is divine,
Can bear me safely through.

I bless the Christ of God; I rest on love divine;
And with unfaltering lip and heart, I call this Savior mine.
His cross dispels each doubt, I bury in His tomb
My unbelief, and all my fear,
Each lingering shade of gloom.

I praise the God of grace, I trust His truth and might
He calls me His, I call Him mine, my God, my joy, my light
'Tis He Who saveth me, and freely pardon gives
I love because He loveth me,
I live because He lives!

(2001 Kevin Twit Music; Words: Horatius Bonar)

You are My Vision

You are my vision, O King of my heart
Nothing else satisfies, only You Lord
You are my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, Your presence my light

You are my wisdom, You are my true word
I ever with You, and You with me Lord
You're my great Father, and I'm Your true son
You dwell inside me, together we're one

You are my battle-shield, sword for the fight
You are my dignity, You're my delight
You're my soul's shelter and You're my high tower
Come raise me heavenward, O power of my power

I don't want riches or man's empty praise
You're my inheritance, now and always
You and You only, the first in my heart
High king of Heaven, my treasure You are

High King of Heaven, when victory's won
May I reach Heaven's joy, O bright Heaven's Son
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall
Still be my vision, O ruler of all

[2013, Rend Collective, Words by Gareth Gilkeson / Chris Llewellyn]

[Children ages 4-5 may be dismissed for Children's Worship]

Ministry of Prayer - Rev. Jackie D. Gaston

Worshipping God with His Tithes and Our Offerings

Ministry of the Word - "Protection and Promises"

Matthew 2:13-23

Rev. Jackie D. Gaston

***Hymn of Response** - I Stand Amazed vs 1,4,5

I stand amazed in the presence
Of Jesus the Nazarene
And wonder how He could love me
A sinner condemned, unclean

[Chorus]

How marvelous, how wonderful

And my song will ever be

How marvelous, how wonderful

Is my Saviour's love for me

He took my sins and my sorrows
He made them his very own
He bore the burden to Calvary
And suffered and died for me

When with ransomed in glory
His face I at last shall see
It will be my joy through the ages
To sing of His love for me

***Benediction**

Postlude

* those who are able, please stand.

+If you would like to speak with someone about how to receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, please see the pastor or elders after the service.

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~Evening Service of Worship~

The Lord's Day - December 27, 2020

6:00 PM

Prelude

Call to Worship - Psalm 92:1-4

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to Your name, O Most High; to declare Your steadfast love in the morning, and Your faithfulness at night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre. For You, O LORD, have made me glad by Your work; at the works of Your hands I sing for joy.

Invocation

***Ministry of Music**

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

Ministry of Prayer

Ministry of the Word - "The Shadow of the Almighty"

Psalm 91

Rev. Jackie D. Gaston

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

***Hymn of Response - We Will Feast in the House of Zion**

***Benediction**

Postlude