



Sunday, February 21, 2021

“For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord”

Romans 8:38-39

## **Order of Worship and Lyrics**

## Call to Worship

**Hymn:** Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, Thou fount of ev'ry 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 thy mount! I'm fixed upon it,  
Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer;  
Hither by Thy help I'm come;  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home:  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wand'ring from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let Thy grace, Lord, like a fetter.  
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, Lord,  
take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts above.

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Prayer of Confession**

**ALL:** Our gracious and merciful Father, we confess to you that we have often entered your presence with countless prayers, but with hearts that have been closed to your grace. We have continued to walk in sinful ways even though we know your Word calls us to holiness and Christ-like living. We come to you seeking forgiveness, for you are the One whom we have offended and you are the One who is faithful to forgive when we turn from our sin. Wash us clean in Christ that we may know the joy of your forgiveness. In Jesus name we pray. Amen

## **Silent Time of Personal Confession**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

**Leader:** Through Jesus Christ forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. In Christ we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace. There is now, no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

### **Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### **Gloria Patri:**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

**Unison Reading:** Romans 4:13-16

“For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression. That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all.”

**Ordination and Installation of Officers**

**Pastoral Prayer and Singing of Lord’s Prayer:**

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**Anthem:** “Faithful to Me”

Cynthia Lill

**Sermon:** “The Heart”

Randy Jenkins

**Scripture:** Mark 7:14-23

And he called the people to him again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand: 15 There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.” 17 And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. 18 And he said to them, “Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, 19 since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?” (Thus he declared all foods clean.) 20 And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. 21 For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, 22 coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. 23 All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

**Hymn:                    The Communion Hymn verses 1-3**

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away  
Slain for us, and we remember  
The promise made that all who come in faith  
Find forgiveness at the cross.  
So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of peace  
Around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
Torn for you, eat and remember  
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life  
Paid the price to make us one.  
So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of love  
Around the table of the King.

The Blood that cleanses every stain of sin,  
Shed for you, drink and remember  
He drained death's cup that all may enter in  
To receive the life of God. So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of grace  
Around the table of the King

## **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

**Hymn:**                    **The Communion Hymn** verse 4

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise  
To respond, and to remember  
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ  
As His body here on earth.  
As we share in His suffering  
We proclaim Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast of heav'n  
Around the table of the King.

**Benediction/Response:**            Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen!

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