

June 9, 2024 At Home Bulletin

Hymn #38

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, and forget not all His benefits, Who forgives iniquity and heals our diseases,

Who redeems our lives from the pit,
Who crowns us with steadfast love and mercy,

Who satisfies us with good so that our youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, Bless His Holy Name!

Psalm 103

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,

almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all praise we would render; O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

Text: Walter Chambers Smith (1867); Music: JOANNA (OR ST. DENIO)

Psalm 101 Psalter p.84

Tune: The Church's One Foundation

GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. *Romans* 12:9-13

Forgive us our sins, O Lord.

Forgive us the sins of our youth and the sins of our age, the sins of our soul and the sins of our body, our secret and our whispering sins, our presumptuous and our careless sins, the sins we have done to please ourselves, and the sins we have done to please others.

Forgive us the sins that we know and the sins that we know not.

Forgive them, O Lord,

forgive them all because of your great goodness

 $through\ Jesus\ Christ,\ our\ Lord.$

We have doubted your promises

and ignored your demonstrations of covenant faithfulness, putting our trust in people and things that cannot be trusted.

Forgive us O Lord.

We confess we need your mercy and cry out for the help of your eternal Son.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

I Peter 2:24-25

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

What is the chief end of man?

Man's chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy him forever.

How did God create man?

God created man male and female, after his own image, in knowledge, righteousness, and holiness with dominion over the creatures.

Did our first parents continue in the estate wherein they were created? Our first parents, being left to the freedom of their own will, fell from the estate wherein they were created, by sinning against God.

Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery? God having, out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace, to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be God and man in two distinct natures, and one person forever.

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A #1, 10, 13, 20, 21

CHILDREN'S SERMON

I Corinthians 15:3-5

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.

RECEPTION OF OFFERINGS

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

Esther Cross & Lily Dumont

PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Yet, Not I, But Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer, there is no more for heaven now to give He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom

My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.

Refrain 1

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus for my life is wholly bound to his Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken, for by my side, the Saviour He will stay I labour on in weakness and rejoicing For in my need, His power is displayed.

Refrain 2

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me Through the deepest valley He will lead Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven the future sure, the price it has been paid For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon And He was raised to overthrow the grave.

Refrain 3

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated, Jesus now and ever is my plea Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus For He has said that He will bring me home And day by day I know He will renew me Until I stand with joy before the throne

Refrain 4

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus all the glory evermore to Him When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me! (repeat refrain 4)

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When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me! (3xs) Song Credits: Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Michael Farren

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 8:40-56

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Hard Pressed" Pastor Ian Hard

Sermon NOTES: Hard Pressed

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

If you are following along at home, please refrain from taking Communion as it is a form of worship meant to be celebrated in the physical presence of the body of Christ.

HYMN OF SENDING

And Can It Be

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Refrain

Amazing love! How can it be, That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis myst'ry all, Th'Immortal dies: Who can explore his strange design? In vain the firstborn seraph tries to sound the depths of live divine. 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds inquire no more.

He left his Father's throne above (So free, so infinite his grace!), Humbled himself (so great his love!) and bled for all his chosen race. 'Tis mercy all, immense and free: For, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fastbound in sin and nature's night; Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine! Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine, Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

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