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At Home Bulletin

CALL TO WORSHIP

We love the LORD, because he has heard our voice and our pleas for mercy.

**Because he inclined his ear to us,
therefore we will call on him as long as we live.**

Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.

**For you have delivered our souls from death,
our eyes from tears, our feet from stumbling;**

What shall we render to the LORD for all his benefits to us?

**We will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD,
We will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call on the name of the LORD.**

Adapted from Ps 116

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

Psalm 117A

Psalter p. 100

Tune: All Creatures of Our God and King

Come Ye Sinners

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity, joined with power.
He is able, He is able; He is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall;
If you tarry 'til you're better, you will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous; Sinner Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requires is to feel your need of Him.
This He gives you, this He gives you, 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended; oleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him; venture wholly, ket no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus can do helpless sinners good.

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GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might." *Deuteronomy 6:4-5*

Our Lord we confess that in you we find true freedom
but we have not lived as ambassadors of that freedom.

**Forgive us Lord for not proclaiming freedom to the captive and liberty
to the oppressed. Forgive us for placing obstacles in the path of those
seeking your grace and burdens upon the burdened.**

For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law
of sin and death.

**Lord we have not honored your instruction as the path to contentment.
Forgive us, for we ignore your law at times and at others use it as a
means of judgment and self-righteous promotion.**

In you alone, Lord, is true freedom and contentment.

**Forgive us for running to empty idols in search of what only you
can offer.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

I John 4:9-10

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

What is your only comfort in life and death?

That I am not my own, but belong - body and soul, 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 the tyranny of the devil.

He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me whole-heartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him. *Heidelberg Catechism, Q 1*

How do you know this?

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. 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. *(Rom 8)*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

I John 1:8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

RECEPTION OF OFFERINGS

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

Trust and Obey

When we walk with the Lord in the light of his Word,
what a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will, he abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain:

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies,
but his smile quickly drives it away;
not a doubt or a fear, not a sigh nor a tear,
can abide while we trust and obey. *(refrain)*

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he doth richly repay;
not a grief nor a loss, not a frown or a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey. *(refrain)*

But we never can prove the delights of his love
until all on the altar we lay;
for the favor he shows, and the joy he bestows,
are for them who will trust and obey. *(refrain)*

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet,
or we will walk by his side in the way;
what he says we will do, where he sends we will go,
never fear, only trust and obey. *(refrain)*

Text: John H. Sammis, 1887; Music: Daniel B. Towner 1887

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 10:24-37

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Who is My Neighbor”

Pastor Ian Hard

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

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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

Amazing Grace

Amazing Grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers toils and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, his Word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

Text: St. 1-5 John Newton, 1779; St. 6 A Collection of Sacred Ballads, 1790:

Music: AMAZING GRACE C.M., A traditional American Melody, Arr. By Edwin O. Excell, 1900.

BENEDICTION

Sermon NOTES: Who is My Neighbor?