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At Home Bulletin

CALL TO WORSHIP

I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever;
with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

For I said, "Steadfast love will be built up forever;
in the heavens you will establish your faithfulness."

Let the heavens praise your wonders, O LORD,
your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones!

Psalm 89

INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

How Great Thou Art

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder -
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

Chorus:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee -
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

When thru the woods and forest glades I wander,
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze,

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin!

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation,
And take me home – what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim: "My God! How great Thou art!"

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Psalm 54

Tune: O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that follow'st all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

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GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart
and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first
commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as
yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the
Prophets." *Matthew 22:37-40*

Lord, let us consider the lilies and the sparrow.

**For if you provide for such as these,
then how can we doubt your care for us.
Yet we have taken control to meet our needs into our own hands,
instead of trusting in the hands that fashioned us and hold us in love.
We have sown much, reaping little,
placing our wages in bags with holes.**

Gracious Father you have given us all things for your own glory.

**Forgive us for thinking that the splendors that you have created
and blessed us with are merely for our comfort.
Forgive us for placing our trust in our treasure,
whether enslaved to attaining it or retaining it.**

Lord, only in doing your will is their true joy and contentment.

Help us to obey you with all our heart, soul, mind, time, and treasure.

Give us the faith to obey you, O gracious God.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Galations 3:13-14

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—
for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree”—

so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles,
so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

Nehemiah Angel-Clive Calhoun

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

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,
from everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone;
short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Isaac Watts (1719; Alt. 1990, mod.)

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 121

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“God Our Helper”

Rev. David Pinckney

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.*

MERCY OFFERING

HYMN OF SENDING

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Chorus:

We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
He has done great things, we will say together.
We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord, our God.
We are not consumed by the flood;
upheld, protected, gathered up. (*chorus*)

In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid.
For the promised morning, oh, how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength. (*chorus*)

Ev'ry vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave,
bind us together, bring shalom. (*chorus*)

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Sermon NOTES: God Our Helper