Order of Worship for Sunday, May 24th, 2020

Worship through Adoration

OPENING SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

SONG OF ADORATION

ALL GLORY BE TO CHRIST

Should nothing of our efforts stand
No legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house
In vain its builders strive
To you who boast tomorrow's gain
Tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn
All glory be to Christ!

CHORUS

All glory be to Christ our king! All glory be to Christ! His rule and reign we'll ever sing, All glory be to Christ!

His will be done; His kingdom come
On earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread
Praise Him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy
The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
All glory be to Christ! (*Chorus*)

When on the day the great I Am
The faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain
Is making all things new.
Behold our God shall live with us
And be our steadfast light
And we shall ere his people be
All glory be to Christ! (*Chorus*)

PRAYER OF ADORATION

At this point you can pause to offer your own prayer of adoration and praise to God. To help prompt you to pray a prayer of praise ask yourself one of the following questions:

- What Scriptural passage about who God is can I turn into a prayer of praise? (e.g. Lamentations 3:21-26)
- What character or attribute of God can I focus on and give Him praise for? (e.g. His Holiness, Compassion, Eternality, Justice, etc.)

Worship through Confession and Thanksgiving

CALL TO CONFESSION Romans 12:17-19; 2 Corinthians 13:11; Ephesians 4:1-3

Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord."

Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Reflect on the passage above and ask God to search your heart and try your thoughts and confess the ways that you have fallen short of His glory in thought, word, and deed.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Our Salvation,

You have destroyed dividing walls of hostility between us by uniting us in Christ.

Yet we must confess that in spite of our family ties with one another we are prone to conflict and division amongst ourselves.

Our strong desires cause us to fight and quarrel—

we arm our minds with bitter thoughts,

our lips with hateful words,

and our feet with hostility

that runs from rather than toward reconciliation.

Father, forgive us for these sins and give us new desires and holy habits.

Free us to serve others joyfully and to seek their peace instead of seeing them as rivals and enemies.

Unite us in our love for Christ and in our desire to stand against Satan's schemes.

In Jesus Name we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE IN CHRIST

Romans 5:1-2, 8-11

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God...

But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Jesus, Paid It All (next page)

JESUS PAID IT ALL

I hear the Savior say,
"Thy strength indeed is small.
Child of weakness, watch and pray,
Find in Me thine all in all."

REFRAIN:

Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

For nothing good have I
Whereby Thy grace to claim;
I'll wash my garments white
In the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb. (*Refrain*)

Lord, now indeed I find
Thy pow'r, and Thine alone,
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone. (*Refrain*)

And when, before the throne,
I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save,"
My lips shall still repeat. (*Refrain*)

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Worship through Preaching and Hearing

READING OF GOD'S WORD

Romans 14:1-9

MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD

Pastor Andrew Jacobson

"Disagree Agreeably with One Another"

Because Christians are going to have differences of opinions on disputable matters, we must learn to disagree agreeably to maintain harmony.

To Disagree Agreeably

- 1. Be Discerning
- 2. Be Charitable
- 3. Be Thoughtful
- 4. Be Properly Motivated
- 5. Fix Your Eyes on Christ

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down: Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God:
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

Were the whole realm of nature mine,

That were a present far too small;

Love so amazing, so divine,

Demands my soul, my life, my all.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

1 Peter 2:9-10

What is Your Identity as a Member of Christ's Church?

We are a chosen race, a royal priesthood,

a holy nation, a people for his own possession,

that we may proclaim the excellencies

of him who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you we not a people, but now we are God's people;

once we had not received mercy, but now we have received mercy.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD

- Pray that the Lord would help you to welcome and pursue unity with other believers even when you disagree over disputable matters.
- Pray that the Lord would give you the grace to practice your freedoms or restrictions to the glory of God.
- Use the church directory to pray for some of the other members of our church.
- Pray that the Lord would use the easing of the COVID-19 restrictions to bring the church back together in unity rather than in division.

CLOSING SONG

Psalm 67:1-3

Tune: The Church's One Foundation

O God give us Your blessing,
Extend to us Your grace,
And cause to shine upon us
The radiance of Your face;
In order that Your pathways
Would through the earth be known,
That You to every nation
Would Your salvation show.

CLOSING PRAYER

Romans 15:5-6

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant us to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together with one voice

We may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.