Jan 9, 2022

This is the day that the LORD has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24

Prelude

I Need Thee Every Hour \Psalm 22 (Be Not Far Off, for Grief is Near)

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Ps. 32:1-2^{ESV}

¹ Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.² Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

*Hymn of Praise

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

No. 251

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand, the shadow of a mighty Rock within a weary land; a home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way, from the burning of the noon-tide heat and the burden of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see the very dying form of One who suffered there for me: and from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess, the wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place: I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of His face; content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss; my sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.

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*Prayer of Invocation & Adoration

Reading of the Law

Deuteronomy 5:6-22

(Next Page- Choral Reading)

Leader: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

People: You shall have no other gods before me.

Leader: You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

People: You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

Leader: Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

People: Honor your father and your mother, as the Lord your God commanded you, that your days may be long, and that it may go well with you in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

Leader: You shall not murder.

People: And you shall not commit adultery.

Leader: And you shall not steal.

People: And you shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Leader: And you shall not covet your neighbor's wife. And you shall not desire your neighbor's house, his field, or his male servant, or his female servant, his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's.

Unison: These words the Lord spoke to all your assembly at the mountain out of the midst of the fire, the cloud, and the thick darkness, with a loud voice; and he added no more. And he wrote them on two tablets of stone and gave them to me.

Prayer of Confession

O most great and gracious God, you are of purer eyes that to behold iniquity. You condemn the ungodly, impenitent, and unbelievers; but have promised mercy through Jesus Christ to all that repent and believe in him. We confess that we were conceived in sin, and are by nature children of wrath; and have all sinned, and come short of the glory of God. In our baptism you took us into the bond of holy covenant; but we remembered not our Creator in the days of our youth, with the fear, and love, and obedience which we owed you: not pleasing and glorifying you in all things, nor walking with you by faith in a heavenly conversation, nor serving you fervently with all our might, but we have fulfilled the desires of the flesh, and of the carnal mind.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. Be reconciled to us, and let the blood of Jesus Christ cleanse us from all our sins. Take us for your children, and give us the Spirit of your son. Sanctify us wholly, and shed abroad your love in our hearts. In Jesus name,

(Taken from Richard Baxter's Savoy Liturgy, 1661)

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Ps. 32:5 ESV

⁵ I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Hymn of Thanksgiving

Psalm 22

Insert

Scripture Reading

 $\begin{array}{c} Acts~1:12\text{--}26 \\ \text{ESV}~(\text{Pew pg. }909\text{/LP pg. }1134) \end{array}$

Westminster Shorter Catechism 81-83

O. 81. What is forbidden in the tenth commandment?

A. The tenth commandment forbiddeth all discontentment with our own estate, envying or grieving at the good of our neighbor, and all inordinate motions and affections to anything that is his.

Q. 82. Is any man able perfectly to keep the commandments of God?

A. No mere man since the fall is able in this life perfectly to keep the commandments of God, but doth daily break them in thought, word and deed.

Q. 83. Are all transgressions of the law equally heinous?

A. Some sins in themselves, and by reason of several aggravations, are more heinous in the sight of God than others.

Prayer of Intercession

Offering

Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross

*Doxology No. 731

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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Prayer of Thanksgiving



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1. The Helpless Priest

2. The Bruised Prophet

3. The Broken King

Questions:

- 1. How does the elders question in v. 67 help us better understand this passage? What does "Christ" mean?
- 2. Read questions 23-26 in the Westminster Shorter Catechism. What jumps out to you about Christ's fulfillment of the offices of prophet, priest, and king?
- 3. Is there any irony in Jesus first being taken to the high priest? What ramifications did this have for the rest of his trial?
- 4. Was Jesus being coy with his accusers in vv. 67-70? What did he mean by, "you say that I am" in v. 70?

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.

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.

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?

Were the whole realm of nature min, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

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*Benediction

*Gloria Patri No. 735

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.

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Selection by Musician

Postlude

* Congregation: Please stand as able.

Piano/Organ/Guitar Chris Erickson
Intercessory Prayer Yon Lindborg
Weekly Calendar

DATE TIME **EVENT** 9:20 AM **SUN 1/9** Sunday School 10:30 AM **Worship Service** 12:00 PM Communicants Class @ Gretzinger's (lunch provided) WED 1/12 9:30 AM Women's Morning Bible Study (Hebrews) 6:00 PM Family Night (RESCHEDULED) 9:20 AM SUN 1/16 **Sunday School** 10:30 AM **Worship Service** 12:00 PM Communicants Class @ Gretzinger's (lunch provided)

Serving the Lord

	1/9	1/16	1/23	1/30	2/6
AM Nursery	Lorrie	Lucy	Felicia	Jenni	Yon
	Martin	Hrivnak	Armstrong	Gretzinger	Lindborg
Greeters	Dar Stam	Martha Gasche	Ron & Sandy Becvar	Lucy Hrivnak	Lash Fam
Treats/ Clean Up	Josh Alderson	Cassy Erickson	Please sign-up at the welcome desk.	Please sign-up at the welcome desk.	Please sign-up at the welcome desk.
Audio	Grayden	Jim	Ben	Forrest	Joel
	Lash	Martin	Armstrong	Carleton	Tummond
Elder of the Week	Yon	Bruce	Andrew	Yon	Bruce
	Lindborg	Hrivnak	Gretzinger	Lindborg	Hrivnak
Deacon of the Week	Jason	Jim	Jason	Jim	Jason
	Lash	Martin	Lash	Martin	Lash
Communion Prep	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Bruce Hrivnak

Announcements

- Adult SS class: Over the next two months, we will study the last section of the book Knowing God by J.I. Packer. This deals with how we should live in light of who God is and what he is like. All are encouraged to attend; you need not have read the earlier parts of the book to benefit from this study. See Bruce Hrivnak with questions and to get a copy of the book.
- Communicants Class: Sundays in January (Jan 9, 16, 23, 30) following the service @ Gretzinger's house communicant class will be held. All youth interested in joining the church should attend. Lunch Provided.
- Jan 12 Family Night: Rescheduled due to weather. Please join us Wednesday Jan 12 @ 6 PM.
- Annual Congregational Meeting: The Congregational Meeting is scheduled for Wed, Jan 26, at 6 pm. This will deal with the church budget for 2022. More details to follow, but please plan on attending.
- Youth Group: Mark your Calendars for Jan 29, from 10 am to 1pm! Looking forward to a night of learning, service, and fun.
- > Sunday School Refreshments: Just a reminder that if you want to help provide treats for the time before Sunday school or help clean up after, you can sign up at the welcome desk.
- ➤ Viking Chili Bowl Luncheon: There will be no Viking lunch in Jan and Feb. A date for the lunch resuming will be announced.
- Thank you: The Gretzingers want to thank the congregation for their incredibly generous Christmas gift. As always, it was much appreciated and thank you and our Lord Jesus Christ for your kindness.