October 29, 2023

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

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Ps. 103:1-5

¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!
² Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, ³ who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, ⁴ who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, ⁵ who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

*Hymn of Praise

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

No. 92

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Ps. 103:11-14

*Prayer of Invocation & Adoration

Reading of the Law Matt 5:1; 7:1-6 (Pew pg. 809&812/LP pg. 1010&1013)

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let your word abide with us until it has wrought in us your holy will. In Jesus strong name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; ¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far does

he remove our transgressions from us. ¹³ As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him. ¹⁴ For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

*Hymn of Thanksgiving Psalm 103 Tune: Jesus What a Friend for Sinners

Bless the Lord, my soul; my whole heart

² Ever bless His holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul; forget not

All His mercies to proclaim.

³ Who forgives all thy transgressions,

Thy diseases all Who heals;

⁴ Who redeems thee from destruction, Who with thee so kindly deals.

Who with love and mercy crowns thee, ⁵ Satisfies thy mouth with good, So that even like the eagle Thou art blessed with youth renewed. ⁶ In His righteousness Jehovah Will deliver those distressed; He will execute just judgment In the cause of all oppressed.

 He made known His ways to Moses, And His acts to Isr'el's race;
 Tender, loving is Jehovah
 Slow to anger, rich and grace.
 He will not forever chide us
 Nor will keep His anger still,
 Has not dealt as we offended
 Nor requited us our ill. 11 For as high as is the heaven,
Far above the Earth below,
Ever great to them that fear Him
Is the mercy He will show.
12 Far as east from west is distant
He has put away our sin;
13 Like the pity of a father
Has Jehovah's pity been.

Scripture Reading Mark 15:16-20 (Pew pg. 852/LP pg. 1064)

Heidelberg Catechism #16-19

16. Q. Why must He be a true and righteous man?

A. He must be a true man because the justice of God requires that the same human nature which has sinned should pay for sin. He must be a righteous man because one who himself is a sinner cannot pay for others.

17. Q. Why must He at the same time be true God?

A. He must be true God so that by the power of His divine nature He might bear in His human nature the burden of God's wrath, and might obtain for us and restore to us righteousness and life.

18. Q. But who is that Mediator who at the same time is true God and a true and righteous man?

A. Our Lord Jesus Christ, whom God made our wisdom, our righteousness and sanctification and redemption (I Corinthians 1:30).

19. Q. From where do you know this?

A. From the holy gospel, which God Himself first revealed in Paradise. Later, He had it proclaimed by the patriarchs and prophets, and foreshadowed by the sacrifices and other ceremonies of the law. Finally, He had it fulfilled through His only Son.

Prayer of Intercession

Offering

*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

*Hymn of Preparation

Grace

Verse 1 Your grace that leads this sinner home From death to life forever And sings the song of righteousness By blood and not by merit

Verse 2 Your grace that reaches far and wide To every tribe and nation Has called my heart to enter in The joy of Your salvation

Chorus By grace I am redeemed By grace I am restored And now I freely walk Into the arms of Christ my Lord

Verse 3 Your grace that I cannot explain Not by my earthly wisdom The prince of life without a stain Was traded for this sinner Chorus

Verse 4
Let praise rise up and overflow
My song resound forever
For grace will see me welcomed home
To walk beside my Savior **Chorus x2**

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Sermon *Elihu* Job 32:2-6a; 37:13-14 (Pew pg. 438&442/ LP pg. 548&553)

1. A Positive View of Elihu

2. His Message to Job

3. The Sovereignty of God

Questions:

- 1. What is Elihu's answer to the problem of suffering? Is his position valid in comparison to the position of Job's friends?
- 2. What are the implications of God's sovereignty for how we ought to react in times of pain and suffering?
- 3. How does Christ's command that we take up our cross and follow Him inform how we are to face pain and suffering?
- 4. How do seasons of pain, suffering, trials, and temptation reveal ways in which we need to repent?

*Hymn of Response Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right No. 108 Find in Trinity Hymnal

*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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Postlude

* Congregation: Please stand as able.

Musician Emily Thevenin

Intercessory Prayer Jim Martin

SUN 10/29	Weekly Calendar 9:20 AM	Sunday School	
	10:30 AM	Worship Service	
	5 PM	Hymn Sing	
WED 11/1	6 PM	Family Night MTW- 30 Days of Prayer	
SAT 11/4	10 AM	Youth Leaf Raking (Pack a brown bag lunch)	
SUN 11/5		Remember: Clocks fall back!	
	9:20 AM	Sunday School	
	10:30 AM	Worship Service – LORD's Supper	
TUES 11/7	6-8 PM	Evening Women's Study	
WED 11/8	1 PM	PM Care Group	
THUR 11/9	9:30 AM	Morning Women's Study	
	6:30 PM	Men's Study	
SAT 11/11	6 PM	High School Event Dinner & Bonfire @ Erickson's	
SUN 11/12	9:20 AM	Sunday School	
	10:30 AM	Worship Service	
		Shepherding Groups Details to come	

Serving the Lord

	10/29	11/5	11/12
AM Nursery	Cassy Erickson &	Deanna Curtis &	Andrea Tummond&
	Lorrie Martin	Robbin Kern	Beth Siderius
Greeters	Connie Eenigenburg	Dar Stam	Lash Fam
Treats/ Clean Up	Sign up at desk	Sign up at desk	Sign up at desk
Audio	Grayden Lash	Joel Tummond	Ben Armstrong
Elder of the Week	Jim Martin	Andrew Gretzinger	Chris Erickson
Deacon of the Week	Craig Curtis	Ben Armstrong	Craig Curtis
Communion Prep	N/A	Chris Erickson	N/A
Officer on Duty	Chris Erickson	Yon Lindborg	Jim Martin

Announcements

> Youth Group:

- November Leaf Raking (weather dependent). Please sign up if you are interested in the kids raking your yard. Parents please sign up if your kids are available that date to help and if you are willing to drive for the event.
- Rescheduled High School Bonfire Nov 11th @ 6PM. Dinner Provided. If you have questions, talk to Chris or Cassy.
- > **Hymn Sing:** Tonight, please join us!
- > New Directory Draft 2.0: Last Week for checking!

Please look over this revised copy (located at the welcome desk) one last time to make sure all information is accounted for. Feel free to double check the anniversaries and birthday list in the back too. If it was correct last time no need to check again. I am still getting a few pieces of information in, but this directory will hopefully be in your hands before the end of the year. Thank you for your patience!