Oct 31, 2021

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

Prelude Selection by CE

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Ps. 90:1-4

¹Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. ² Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. ³ You return man to dust and say, "Return, O children of man!" ⁴ For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night.

*Hymn of Praise

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

No. 92

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; His craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not His equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He, Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same, and He must win the battle.

And though this world with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us. The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; His kingdom is forever.

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*Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading Gen 48:1-22

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of Your Word. You are a God who wants to be known and heard. You have spoken and continue to speak to humanity though Jesus, Your Incarnate Word, and Scripture, Your written Word. Thank You. Lord, forgive us for failing to listen to Your Word. Sometimes when You speak to us, we question whether we heard You correctly. At other times, we know You have spoken but we choose not to listen. Many times, we are too distracted with the rest of our lives to hear You speaking at all. Forgive us. Lord, help us trust and obey Your Word. Give us clarity and wisdom to recognize Your voice. Give us confidence and courage to follow You. Help us. We believe, Lord, but help our unbelief. In the Name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Ps. 90:9-17

⁹ For all our days pass away under your wrath; we bring our years to an end like a sigh. ¹⁰ The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty; yet their spanis but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away. ¹¹ Who considers the power of your anger, and your wrath according to the fear of you? ¹² So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom. ¹³ Return, O Lord! How long? Have pity on your servants! ¹⁴ Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. ¹⁵ Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, and for as many years as we have seen evil. ¹⁶ Let your work be shown to your servants, and your glorious power to their children. ¹⁷ Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!

For all the saints who from their labors rest, who Thee by faith before the world confessed, Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

O may Thy soldiers faithful, true, and bold, fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, and win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest; sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day; the saints triumphant rise in bright array; the King of glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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WSC 67-68

Q. 67. Which is the sixth commandment?

A. The sixth commandment is, Thou shalt not kill.

Q. 68. What is required in the sixth commandment?

A. The sixth commandment requireth all lawful endeavors to preserve our own life, and the life of others.

Prayer of Intercession

Offering Selection by CE

*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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*Hymn of Preparation

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

No. 247

O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down; now scornfully surrounded with thorns, Thine only crown; O sacred Head, what glory, what bliss till now was Thine! Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call Thee mine.

What Thou, my Lord, has suffered was all for sinners' gain: mine, mine was the transgression, but Thine the deadly pain. Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve Thy place; look on me with Thy favor, vouch-safe to me Thy grace.

What language shall I borrow to thank Thee, dearest Friend, for this, Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end?

O make me Thine forever; and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to Thee.

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Sermon		Luke 20:19-44
1.	Politics	
2.	Priorities	
3.	Postmodern	
Quest	tions:	
1.	Why are politics unavoidable in this world? What can you do abo	ut it?

2. What does your day look like most days? Where do you spend most of your time?

3. What is goal of Jesus adversaries in this passage? How is this the same or different

4. What does Jesus mean when he says we are equal to angels?

Why?

from our adversaries today?

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord; she is His new creation by water and the Word: from heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy bride; with His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth; one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed, yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?" And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

The church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend, to guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end: though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale, against or foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore: till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

*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 Selection by CE

* Congregation: Please stand as able.

PianoChris EricksonIntercessory PrayerAndrew Gretzinger

Weekly Calendar

	DATE	<u>TIME</u> <u>EVENT</u>
SUN 10/31	9:20 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
WED 11/3		Vomen's Morning Bible Study (Hebrews 4) Family Night
THUR 11/4	6:30 PM	Men's Bible Study (Hebrews 4)
SUN 11/7	9:20 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
WED 11/10	6:00 PM	Women's Evening Bible Study (Hebrews 4)

Serving the Lord

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	10/31	11/7					
AM Nursery	Yon	Lorrie	Felicia	Kathleen			
Greeters	Phyllis	Cherie Lee	Arlene, Ron, &	Dar			
	•		Sandy				
Treats	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Serve/Cleanup	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Audio	Ben Armstrong	Forrest	Joel Tummond	Josh Alderson			
		Carleton					
Elder of the Week	Gretzinger	Lindborg	Hrivnak	Gretzinger			
Deacon of the Week	Jason	Jim	Jason	Jim			
Communion Prep	N/A	Lindborg	N/A	N/A			

Announcements

Reformation Day

October 31, 1517

➤ Reminder: Our clocks fall back November 7st. Don't forget to set your alarm.







The Five Solas

1. Sola Scriptura (by scripture alone

Sola Fide (by faith alone)
 Sola Gratia (by grace alone)

. Solus Christus (Christ alone)

- Family Night: Coming up November 3, please sign up at the welcome desk if you plan to attend.
- > Sign-up For Sunday School Refreshments: We would love for some volunteers to help with refreshments and clean up on Sundays. If you are interested sign-up at the welcome desk.

30 Days of Prayer for Global Missions: During November, in conjunction with PCA Mission to the World, we are encouraging each one to pray daily for missions using the calendar insert that you received in the bulletin. It is an opportunity for us to become more aware of mission work and the great needs around the world and to pray specifically for God's kingdom to come into these areas. It has been a real blessing to participate the past few years. More details of the daily prayer requests can be found online at mtw.org/30DOP