

April 11, 2021

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

Prelude

Selection by PM

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 57:1

***Hymn of Praise**

Lift High the Cross

No. 263

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

Come, brethren, follow where our Savior trod, our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as Thou hast promised, draw men unto Thee.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

Thy kingdom come, that earth's despair may cease beneath the shadow of its healing peace.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

For Thy best cross which doth for us atone, creation's praises rise before Thy throne.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

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***Prayer of Invocation**

Scripture Reading

Exodus 18:1-12

Prayer of Confession

Our Gracious Heavenly Father, continue to lead us in your ways. We are frail and feeble and many times we have fallen short this week and sinned against you. Please forgive us of all our sins, we pray, not because of who we are, or because of the good things that we have done, but only because of what your son, Jesus Christ, has done for us in His life, death, and resurrection. Build us up in our faith that we may trust in you more, and that we might be able to forsake our sinful patterns. And help us to be gracious and kind to all those that we would meet this week, always speaking your truth in love. For it's in Jesus name that we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Psalm 57:2-3

² I cry out to God Most High, to God, who fulfills his purpose for me.³ He sends from heaven and saves me, rebuking those who hotly pursue me; God sends his love and faithfulness.

Offering

Selection by PM

***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.

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Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (were you there?)
Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (were you there?)
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (were you there?)

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (were you there?)
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (were you there?)
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (were you there?)

Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (were you there?)
Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (were you there?)
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (were you there?)

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (were you there?)
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (were you there?)
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (were you there?)

Were you there when he rose up from the dead? (were you there?)
Were you there when he rose up from the dead? (were you there?)
Sometimes I feel like shouting 'Glory, glory, glory!'
Were you there when he rose up from the dead? (were you there?)

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Westminster Shorter Catechism 18-19

Q. 18. Wherein consists the sinfulness of that estate where into man fell?

A. The sinfulness of that estate where into man fell consists in the guilt of Adam's first sin, the want of original righteousness, and the corruption of his whole nature, which is commonly called original sin; together with all actual transgressions which proceed from it.

Q. 19. What is the misery of that estate where into man fell?

A. All mankind by their fall lost communion with God, are under his wrath and curse, and so made liable to all the miseries in this life, to death itself, and to the pains of hell forever.

Prayer of Intercession

***Hymn of Preparation**

Psalm 57

Tune: Jesus Thy Blood and Righteousness

¹ Thy mercy, God, to me extend;

On Thy protection I depend,

And to Thy wings for shelter haste

Until this storm be overpast.

² To Him I will in trouble cry,

The sovereign Judge and God most high,

Who wonders for me hath begun,

And will not leave His work undone.

³ For He from heav'n shall quell the power

Of him who would my life devour;

Forth shall His truth and mercy send,

And my distracted soul defend.

⁴ For I with cru-el men converse,

Like hungry lions wild and fierce;

With men whose teeth are spears, their words

Envenomed darts and two-edg'd swords.

1. Jesus the lynch pin
2. The unpardonable sin
3. Keep Proclaiming

Questions:

1. What is essential to know about who Jesus is and what he did for our salvation?
2. What is the difference between saying that Jesus is A way to salvation and saying that Jesus is the ONLY way to salvation? Does this really need to be stated? Why or why not?
3. What role does the Holy Spirit play in your salvation?
4. What are some challenges to your personal proclamation of the Gospel to family and friends, co-workers and strangers?

I hear the Savior say, “Your strength indeed is small,
child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me, your 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.**

Lord, now indeed I find your power, and yours alone,
can change the leper’s spots, and melt the heart of stone. **REFRAIN**

For nothing good have I whereby your grace to claim--
I’ll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv’ry’s Lamb. **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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***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**

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*** Congregation:** Please stand as able.

Piano

Paige Mecsytine

Intercessory Prayer

Andrew Gretzinger

Weekly Calendar

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUN 4/11	9:00 AM	Opening Exercises & Sunday School (New Members & Kingdom of God)
	10:30 AM	Worship Service- LORD'S SUPPER (available YouTube & Facebook)
FRI 4/16	6:00 PM	Gretzinger Care Group
SAT 4/17	9-Noon	Wheelchair Drive
SUN 4/18	7:00 AM	Opening Exercises & Sunday School (New Members & Kingdom of God)
	10:30 AM	Worship Service (available YouTube & Facebook) Evening Prayer Meeting (Missions Focus)
TUES 4/20	1:00 PM	Senior Care Group
SAT 4/24	9-Noon	Wheelchair Drive
	4-6 PM	Megan's Baby Shower

Serving the Lord

	4/11	4/18	4/25	5/2
AM Nursery	Ashley	Lorrie	Kathleen	Yon
Greeters	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Treats	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Serve/Cleanup	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Audio	B. Armstrong	J. Martin	B. Schoon	B. Schoon
Elder of the Week	Gretzinger	Hrivnak	Nelson	Lindborg
Deacon of the Week	Jason	Matt	Jim	Jason
Communion Prep	4/11 Nelson	N/A	N/A	3/2 Hrivnak

Announcements

➤ **Updates for Members:**

- April Congregational meeting set for Wed., April 28, 6 pm. This is the meeting in which we review the ministries of the church over the past year. All communicant members, please plan to be there. Rides will be provided where helpful.
- Ministry team (committee) chairs, please have your annual reports to the church office by Sunday, April 18, so that they can be available in the booklet for the April Congregational meeting.
- Note that we have returned to hymnals and bibles available at the seats and the passing of the offering plates, as Covid conditions have improved.

➤ **Thank you from Arlene:** To my Church family, your kindness and sympathy are more deeply appreciated than any words of thanks can express. Thank you for the beautiful bouquet of flowers and for all the cards, letters, visits, and phone calls at this time and all the prayers on our behalf while Pete was in the hospital and rehab.

➤ **Congrats to the Curtis Family:** Congratulations to Deanna and Craig on the birth of their son Calvin. They wish to express their gratitude and appreciation for all the support, prayers, and thoughts. They look forward to seeing you all soon.

➤ **April Upcoming Events:**

4/20 1:00 pm Tues Afternoon Senior Care Group
4/17 & 4/24. 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Wheelchair Drive Collection (in church bldg)

Miscellaneous Info

Church Leadership Meetings: The Session meets the first Tuesday of every month and the Deacon's meet the third Tuesday of each month. If ever there are any concerns, questions, or needs, please do not hesitate to contact Yon Lindborg, Clerk of Session (yonedfarm@gmail.com) or Jim Martin, Clerk of the Diaconate (jim@jimandlorrie.com) with these matters, and we will always do our best to address them in a timely and biblical manner.

Book Table: The resources vary and are there for whatever needs you may have. Feel free to take any books you need. If you wish to give a donation to the church in gratitude or to restock for the future please mark it clearly for book table.