

May 7, 2023

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

Prelude

Selection by Musician

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Ps. 9:9-10

⁹ The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. ¹⁰ And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you.

***Hymn of Praise**

Ps. 9B Wholehearted Thanksgiving (Tune: To God be Glory)
Insert

***Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

Reading of the Law

Nehemiah 9:9-15

(Pew pg. 404/LP pg. 505)

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, who brought back from the dead our Lord, Jesus Christ, we humbly acknowledge that we have not lived in a manner worthy of your redeeming grace. You have raised us up with Christ who is seated at your right hand. You have commanded us to set our mind on things above and not on the things of earth. Yet we have transgressed your laws by loving ourselves more than you, our God, or our neighbor. We are so easily caught up in the materialism of our day, worshiping the creature and the creation, rather than you, our Creator. Thus, do we forget your mighty victory over sin and death. Have mercy upon us, O God. Deliver us from immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which is idolatry. Do not leave us to ourselves but send your Spirit that we may live above this fallen world, and show forth your resurrection power. In the exalted name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Ps. 9:13-14

¹³ Be gracious to me, O Lord! See my affliction from those who hate me, O you who lift me up from the gates of death, ¹⁴ that I may recount all your praises, that in the gates of the daughter of Zion I may rejoice in your salvation.

*Hymn of Thanksgiving

There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood

No. 253

Find in Red Trinity Hymnal

Scripture Reading

Mark 7:24-37

(Pew pg. 843/LP pg. 1052)

The Apostles' Creed

pg. 845 in Red Trinity Hymnal

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
And born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
And is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of Intercession

Offering

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***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**

The Power of the Cross



1. Oh to see the dawn of the dark - est day.
2. Oh to see the pain writ - ten on Your face,
3. Now the day - light flees, now the ground be - neath
4. Oh to see my name writ - ten in the wounds,



Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry.
bear - ing the awe - some weight of sin.
quakes as its Mak - er bows His head.
for through Your suf - fring I am free.



Tried by sin - ful men, torn and beat - en then
Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought, ev - 'ry e - vil deed
Cur - tain torn in two, dead are raised to life.
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live



nailed to a cross of wood. This the
crown - ing Your blood - stained brow. This the
"Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry. This the
won through Your self - less love! This the



1,2,3. pow'r of the cross. Christ be - came sin for us. Took the
4. pow'r of the cross Son of God slain for us. What a



blame, bore the wrath. We stand for - giv - en at the cross.
life, what a cost. We stand for - giv - en at the cross.

1. Born Again (vv. 1-3)

- a. What does it look like?
- b. John 3
- c. Loving God & God's people

2. Faith (vv. 4-5)

- a. In what?
- b. In whom?
- c. An instrument

3. Water and Blood (vv. 6-12)

- a. Option 1 - Baptism and the Lord's Supper (Calvin & Luther)
- b. Option 2 - Jesus pierced side (Augustine)
- c. Option 3 - Jesus baptism & death (Tertullian)

Questions:

1. What does it mean to be born again? If you had one hour to explain to a stranger what the Gospel is, what would you spend your time explaining to them?
2. What is faith? What should I do when my faith is weak? What are some practical ways that we, as the Church, can build others in the church up in their faith?
3. Who was Jesus Christ? Why is our doctrine of Jesus something that we must never compromise on?
4. How does our understanding of Scripture go hand in hand with our understanding of Jesus Christ? Why is Divine inspiration of Scripture so important?

The Lord's Supper

(wine in the wine-colored cups and grape juice in the clear cups)

Sursum Corda

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Music: Selections from the Hymnal

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***Hymn of Response**

Jesus Paid It All

No. 308

Find in Red 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

Selection by Musician

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

Piano

Intercessory Prayer

Emily Thevenin

Chris Erickson

Weekly Calendar

SUN 5/7	9:20 AM	Sunday School (Children & Adult)
	10:30 AM	Worship Service- LORD's Supper
THUR 5/11	6:30 PM	Men's Study (Chapter 8)
SUN 5/14	9:20 AM	Sunday School (Children & Adult)
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
TUE 5/16	6:00 PM	Women's Evening Bible Study (Carleton's House)
SAT 5/20	Details TBA	Missions Conference
SUN 5/21		Missions Conference
	9:20 AM	Sunday School (Last Sunday School – Mission Focus)
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
FRI 5/26	Details TBA	Youth Group Amazing Race Event

Serving the Lord

	5/7	5/14	5/21
AM Nursery	Megan Jones	Lucy Hrivnak	Jenni Gretzinger
Greeters	Lindborg Fam	Dar Stam	Martha Lietchy
Treats/ Clean Up	at	Welcome Desk	up
Audio	Joel Tummond	Josh Alderson	Grayden Lash
Elder of the Week	Chris Erickson	Yon Lindborg	Andrew Gretzinger
Deacon of the Week	Craig Curtis	Ben Armstrong	Craig Curtis
Communion Prep	Jim Martin	N/A	N/A

Announcements

- **Lord's Supper:** Today we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper. Participation is open to all who are trusting in Christ for salvation, living a life of repentance from sin, and in good standing with a Christian church. Please see page 3 of the bulletin for more information.
- **Committee sign-up:** This is the time of the year for committee sign-ups. We encourage members and non-members alike to sign up for a committee (be careful not to over commit yourself, doing everything is impossible). Please prayerfully consider where you can serve. If you were on the committee in the past please re-sign up. If you have questions, ask the chairs or session reps for more information. Sign-ups will be out until May 14th.
- **VBS:** VBS is coming up in June. Flyers are inserted in bulletin and there are extras at welcome desk feel free to take to share with friends, neighbors, coworkers.
- **May 26:** Save the Date for our Amazing Grace Youth Scavenger Hunt. More Details to come, but we will need parent help to drive and chaperone as we go around town doing a photo scavenger hunt. Please sign up at the welcome desk (your kids and if you would be willing to help).
- **Hrivnak Celebration:** Bruce & Lucy are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in June and would like to invite you to a celebration on Saturday, June 10, 3-6 pm at the church pavilion. All invited. So please save the date!