

August 8, 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**

Psalm 75:1
ESV

¹ We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your name is near. We recount your wondrous deeds.

***Hymn of Praise**

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

No. 1

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with fear, his praise forth-tell, come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord ye know is God indeed; without our aid he did us make;
We are His folk, He doth us feed, and for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise, approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good, his mercy is forever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

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***Prayer of Invocation**

Scripture Reading

Gen. 43:1-15

Prayer of Confession

Gracious Heavenly Father, we were born sinners and therefore we sin, all the time, in countless ways against countless people. Have mercy on us, we pray, not because of who we are but because of who you are. You are a gracious God, slow in anger and abounding in steadfast love. Point us now to your abounding love that took your only Son, Jesus Christ, to a cross he did not deserve but willingly endure so that we might be forgiven. Forgive us yet again for the sins we have committed this week and may we continue to repent and turn away from our sin and seek your face. Enable us to do so more and more by the power of your Holy Spirit. We pray this in Jesus precious name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Psalm 75:9-10
ESV

⁹ But I will declare it forever; I will sing praises to the God of Jacob. ¹⁰ All the horns of the wicked I will cut off, but the horns of the righteous shall be lifted up.

Glorious things of Thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken formed thee for His own abode:
on the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,
well supply Thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove:
who can faint, while such a river ever flows their thirst t'assuage?
grace which, like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hov'ring, see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a cov'ring, showing that the Lord is near:
thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day,
safe they feed upon the manna which He gives them when they pray.

Savior, if of Zion's city I, through grace, a member am,
let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Thy name:
fading is the worldling's pleasure, all his boasted pomp and show;
solid joys and lasting treasure none but Zion's children know.

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WCF 8.7

Christ, in the work of mediation, acts according to both natures, by each nature doing that which is proper to itself; yet, by reason of the unity of the person, that which is proper to one nature is sometimes in Scripture attributed to the person denominated by the other nature.

Prayer of Intercession**Offering**

Jesus, Thank You

Arr. Sovereign Grace Music

***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**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

No. 32

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;
as Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

REFRAIN:

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. REFRAIN

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! REFRAIN

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1. The Nature of Repentance
2. The Nurture of Faith
3. The Necessity of Service

Questions:

1. Is it a sin to not forgive someone? Why or why not?
2. Why are Christians, in general, so bad at repentance? How can we improve?
3. What does the pastor mean when he says that faith is never passive?
4. What are ways that you're called to serve in the Kingdom of God? List 3 ways that you can be serving for the rest of 2021? 5 ways? 10 or more?

The Lord's Supper

Sursum Corda

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Music: Selections from the Hymnal

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

No. 308

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

Piano & Guitar
Intercessory Prayer

Chris Erickson
Andrew Gretzinger

Weekly Calendar

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUN 8/8	10:30 AM		Worship Service- LORD's Supper (available YouTube & Facebook)
TUES 8/10	1:00 PM		Senior Care Group
SUN 8/15	10:30 AM TBA		Worship Service Moroccan Missions Dinner & Presentation

Serving the Lord

	8/8	8/15	8/22	8/29	9/5	9/12
AM Nursery	Yon	Lorrie	Felicia	Kathleen	Yon	Lorrie
Greeters	Cherie Lee	Dar	Martha	Lash Fam	Alice	Phyllis
Treats	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Serve/Cleanup	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Audio	Ben Armstrong	Forrest Carleton	Joel Timmons	Josh Alderson	Grayden Lash	Jim Martin
Elder of the Week	Gretzinger	Lindborg	Hrivnak	Gretzinger	Hrivnak	Lindborg
Deacon of the Week	Jason	Jim	Jason	Jim	Jason	Jim
Communion Prep	Hrivnak	N/A	N/A	N/A	Sep 9/5- Lindborg	N/A

Announcements

- **Senior Care Group:** Senior Care Group will be meeting this Tuesday, August 10 at 1 pm at the church.
- **Book Return:** Missions Summer Reading books will be available through August 15, so please plan to return books by that date.
- **Recruiting Sunday School Teachers:** Teachers Needed! Please contact Lorrie in person or by email at Lorrie@jimandlorrie.com
- **Mid-America Golf Outing:** Here's our friendly reminder to join the friends of Mid-America Reformed Seminary for the 17th Annual Golf Outing on August 28, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. at the Deer Creek Golf Club in University Park, IL. Register online at www.midamerica.edu. We hope to see you there!
- **Ladies Bible Study:** This year we will do a study on the book of Hebrews. It is here that we read, among many other things, of the supremacy and the sufficiency of Christ. We will be using the same book as the men's study! If you are interested, please sign up on the form on the welcome desk in the narthex. Speak to Lucy Hrivnak if you have any questions.
- **Friendship Families:** Friendship Families is a ministry of several local churches in which families or individuals are matched with an incoming international student at Valparaiso University. This is a great way to show the love of Christ to students from all over the world! Consider being a part of this ministry! It involves getting together a few times each semester with your student(s). Several families in the church have done this in past years. There will be an opportunity to meet the new students on Tues., Aug. 17 at 2 pm at a Welcome Party Friendship Families will host on the VU campus. It would be great if you could attend. Please see Bruce or Lucy Hrivnak if you are interested or have questions.
- **Men's Bible Study:** The men's Bible Study is going to start back up on Thursday September 9th at 6:30PM. If you didn't receive an email this week about it please let Jason Lash or Jim Martin know so we can get your email address added to the list. We will be using the book Hebrews For You by Michael J. Kruger. We hope everyone can attend this time of fellowship together.
- **Annual Hayride:** The Lindborg's will host the annual hayride at their farm (3606 W. 800 S. Union Mills, IN 46383). September 12 at 5:30 PM. More Details to come.