

Sep 26, 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. 82:1-2

ESV

¹ God has taken his place in the divine council; in the midst of the gods he holds judgment:

² “How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked?”

***Hymn of Praise**

Praise the Savior, Ye Who Know Him!

No. 677

Praise the Savior, ye who know Him!

Who can tell how much we owe Him?

Gladly let us render to Him

all we are and have.

Jesus is the name that charms us;

He for conflict fits and arms us;

nothing moves and nothing harms us

while we trust in Him.

Trust in Him, ye saints, forever;

He is faithful, changing never;

neither force nor guile can sever

those He loves from Him.

Keep us, Lord, O keep us cleaving

to Thyself and still believing,

till the hour of our receiving

promised joys with Thee.

Then we shall be where we would be,
then we shall be what we should be;
things that are not now, nor could be,
soon shall be our own.

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***Prayer of Invocation**

Scripture Reading

Gen 46:1-27

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Father, we have fallen far from you this week in what we have done and what we have left undone. We have sought after the things of this world time and time again, and we confess that this has caused our hearts to grow cold towards you. We have also not attended to those ordinary means of grace that draw us closer to you, and for that we repent as well. Guard our hearts and refocus the affections of our hearts unto You. Give us grace today, we pray in Jesus name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Ps 82:3-4

ESV

³ Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute. ⁴ Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

***Hymn of Thanksgiving**

My Voice to God Aloud, I Plead

Insert Front & Back

WSC 59-60

Q. 59. Which day of the seven hath God appointed to be the weekly sabbath?

A. From the beginning of the world to the resurrection of Christ, God appointed the seventh day of the week to be the weekly sabbath; and the first day of the week ever since, to continue to the end of the world, which is the Christian sabbath.

Q. 60. How is the sabbath to be sanctified?

A. The sabbath is to be sanctified by a holy resting all that day, even from such worldly employments and recreations as are lawful on other days; and spending the whole time in the public and private exercises of God's worship, except so much as is to be taken up in the works of necessity and mercy.

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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***Hymn of Preparation**

Before the Throne of God Above



Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a strong and per - fect
When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair, and tells me of the guilt with -
I bow be - fore the cross of Christ, and mar - vel at this love di -



plea, a great High Priest whose name is love, who ev - er lives and pleads for
in, up - ward I look and see Him there, who made an end to all my
vine, God's per - fect Son was sac - ri - ficed to make me right - eous in God's



me. My name is gra - ven on His hands, my name is writ - ten on His
sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior died my sin - ful soul is count - ed
eyes. This riv - er's depths I can - not know, but I can glo - ry in its



heart; I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can
free, for God the Just is sat - is - fied to look on
flood; The Lord Most High has bowed down low, and poured on



bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
Him and par - don me, to look on Him and par - don me.
me His glo - rious love, and poured on me His glo - rious love.

1. Faith

2. Repentance

3. New Obedience

Questions:

1. What is the heart of the Gospel? How would you explain the Gospel to someone in as few words as possible?
2. Why doesn't Jesus mention Zacchaeus' sin?
3. What obstacles did Zacchaeus have to overcome to see Jesus?
4. How do obstacles help lead us closer to Jesus?

***Hymn of Response**

Be Thou My Vision

No. 642

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that Thou art-
Thou my best thought by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my battle shield, sword for my fight;
be Thou my dignity, Thou my delight,
Thou my soul's shelter, Thou my high tow'r:
raise Thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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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 & Guitar
Intercessory Prayer**

Chris Erickson
Yon Lindborg

Weekly Calendar

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUN 9/26	9:20 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship Service	
THUR 9/30	11:00 AM	Viking Chili Bowl Luncheon (All Welcome)	
SUN 10/3	9:20 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship Service	
WED 10/6	9:30 AM 6:00 PM	Women's Morning Bible Study Family Night	
THUR 10/7	6:30 PM	Men's Bible Study	
SUN 10/10	9:20 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship Service – LORDs Supper	
WED 10/13	6:00 PM	Women's Evening Bible Study	
SUN 10/17	9:20 AM 10:30 AM 11:45 AM	Sunday School Worship Service Pavilion Dedication (refreshments provided)	
WED 10/20	9:30 AM 6:00 PM	Women's Morning Bible Study Women's Evening Bible Study	
THUR 10/21	6:30 PM	Men's Bible Study	
SAT 10/23	10:00 AM	Apple Cider Press Day	
SUN 10/24	9:20 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship Service	
SUN 10/31	9:20 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship Service	

Serving the Lord

	9/26	10/3	10/10	10/17
AM Nursery	Kathleen	Yon	Lorrie	Felicia
Greeters	Ron & Sandy	Dar	Martha	Lash Fam
Treats	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Serve/Cleanup	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Audio	Forrest Carleton	Joel Tummond	Grayden Lash	Josh Alderson
Elder of the Week	Lindborg	Hrivnak	Gretzinger	Lindborg
Deacon of the Week	Jim	Jason	Jim	Jason
Communion Prep	N/A	N/A	Oct 10/10 – Hrivnak	N/A

Announcements

- **Church officer nominations:** Please take time to prayerfully consider who you think might be a good candidate for church elder or deacon and nominate him/them. Don't assume that someone else will do it. New officers are very much needed, and this is one of the privileges and responsibilities of church membership. Copies of the form are on the Welcome desk. Please turn in to elder Bruce Hrivnak today.
- **Food & Fellowship:** Thurs. Sep 30 at 11 there will be a luncheon at Viking Chili Bowl. All are welcome!
- **Cider Day:** Flyers available at the welcome desk, it is a great event to invite friends!
- **Family Night:** The next family night is coming up Oct 6, please sign-up at the welcome desk if you plan to come.
- **Pavilion:** You can see the great work done on the pavilion. We look forward to using it for upcoming events. There will be a brief dedication and celebration after the worship service Oct 17.

Prayer for the Church

To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints...
Ephesians 6:18b

Member(s) of the Week- **Ken Sanders**

Missions - Insert

Request(s)

❖ Pray for ministry teams, that God grant wisdom and strength to those signed up can carry out His work effectively and to His glory.

❖ Pray for Sunday school teachers and Bible Study leaders that they may lead well and explain God's word accurately.

Pray for our Elders & Deacons

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Pray for Church-Supported Missionaries

Tracy & Joy Dager - Middle East
Norlan DeGroot - MINTS - Seminary Extension
Joel Irvin - Heart City Church (plant) – Elkhart, IN
Satoshi & Cally Kawachi - Europe
Luke & Amanda McAuley - Kenya
Emad & Michelle Mikhail - Egypt
Gaurav & Sara Misra - Central Asia
Tom & Catalina Nachtergaele - Belgium
Curtis McDaniel - RUF Purdue
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship - Valpo U
John & Cathy Rug - Chile
Hugh & Martine Wessel – France
Bhogpur Children's Home - India
Covenant College (PCA) - Lookout Mt., GA
Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary (Prison)
First Contact - Valparaiso, IN
Mid-America Reformed Seminary - Dyer, IN
Mission to North America (PCA)
Mission to the World (PCA)
The Old Firehouse Community Center - Gary, IN
The Women's Center - Valparaiso, IN