

November 3rd, 2019

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

Please greet those around you before the announcements begin.

Prelude

For All the Saints

arr. Boertje

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Greeting (Sharing God's Welcome)

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Moments of Meditation

While the music is being played, quietly prepare your heart for worship.

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near, join me in glad adoration.”

TH #53 - Based on Psalm 103

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

Joachim Neander, 1680

***Call to Worship**

John 15:12-13

***Hymn of Praise**

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

No. 302

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;

Praise is His gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!

He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend;

His love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore,
singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

***Prayer of Invocation**

Scripture Reading

Acts 16:35-40
Pew Bible Page 1722

Prayer of Confession

Great God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we praise You for Your work of redemption that has called us out of a kingdom of darkness and into Your glorious kingdom of light. Give us greater light, we ask, that we might see the greatness of our sin and that we might know more and more what it cost You to free us from our sin. Thank You for sending Your only son, Jesus Christ, to live where we should have lived and to have died where we deserved to die, to give to us the glorious honor and privilege to be Your sons and daughters. Grant us grace each and every day, that we might work out our salvation with fear and trembling, and to be continually amazed by Your grace. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

John 15:14-17

¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he many give it to you. ¹⁷ These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

*Hymn of Thanksgiving

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me
 Those He saves are His delight. Christ will hold me
 For my life He bled and died. Christ will hold me

fast; When the tempter would prevail. He will hold me
 fast; Precious in His holy sight. He will hold me
 fast; Justice has been satisfied. He will hold me

fast. I could never keep my hold. -
 fast. He'll not let my soul be lost; His
 fast. Raised with Him to endless life. -

Through life's fearful path; For my love is often cold;
 Promises shall last. Bought by Him at such a cost.
 He will hold me fast 'Till our faith is turned to sight,

He must hold me fast.
 He will hold me fast.
 When He comes at last!

He will hold me fast. He will hold me fast. For my Sa-rior loves me

so. He will hold me fast.

New City Catechism Question # 29

How can we be saved?

Only by faith in Jesus Christ and in his substitutionary atoning death on the cross; so even though we are guilty of having disobeyed God and are still inclined to all evil, nevertheless, God, without any merit of our own but only by pure grace, imputes to us the perfect righteousness of Christ when we repent and believe in him.

Prayer of Intercession

Tithes and Offering

A Mighty Fortress

arr. Kingsmore

***Hymn of Preparation**

Nothing but the Blood

No. 307

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

REFRAIN:

O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;
no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my cleansing this I see - nothing but the blood of Jesus.
For my pardon this my plea - nothing but the blood of Jesus. REFRAIN

Nothing can for sin atone - nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Naught of good that I have done - nothing but the blood of Jesus. REFRAIN

This is all my hope and peace - nothing but the blood of Jesus.
This is all my righteousness - nothing but the blood of Jesus. REFRAIN

Now by this I'll overcome - nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Now by this I'll reach my home - nothing but the blood of Jesus. REFRAIN

Outline:

1. Initiative

2. Understanding

3. Humanity

Questions for Further Reflection:

1. What do the following Scriptures teach us about Timothy's background: Acts 16:1-3; 2 Timothy 1:5; 3:15?
2. Epaphroditus was sick and almost died. How does this account illustrate God's complete control over sickness, healing and death?
3. Are you a good friend? What attributes do you look for in your friends?
4. For private or personal application: Think of a few ways in which you could cultivate some of the fine qualities of Timothy and Epaphroditus into your own life, to the benefit and blessing of other people.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Please hold the elements so that we may all partake together.

The bread set apart is gluten free.

We use wine in the Lord's Supper, however, for those who prefer,
grape juice is provided in the outer ring of the tray.

*Hymn of Response

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

No. 498

Jesus! what a Friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole.

REFRAIN: Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.

Jesus! what a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in Him;
tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, He, my strength, my vict'ry wins. REFRAIN

Jesus! what a help in sorrow! While the billows o'er me roll,
even when my heart is breaking, He, my comfort, helps my soul. REFRAIN

Jesus! what a guide and keeper! While the tempest still is high,
storms about me, night o'er-takes me, He, my pilot, hears my cry. REFRAIN

Jesus! I do now receive Him, more than all in Him I find;
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine. REFRAIN

***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.

***Postlude**

God of Our Fathers

arr. Rocherolle

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

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Piano

Emily Katayama

Intercessory Prayer

Bruce Hrivnak, Elder

Serving the Lord

	11/03	11/10	11/17
AM Nursery	C. Tuitman, Alanna T.	L. Hrivnak, Krystal T.	Y. Lindborg, Aaron L.
Greeters	Hale/Grass	Lanenga	J. Faber
Communion Helper	Krystal T.	-----	-----
Treats	Hrivnak	O'Neal	Lindborg
Serve/Cleanup	Hrivnak	O'Neal	Lindborg
Audio	B. Schoon	J. Martin	B. Armstrong
Elder of the Week	Hrivnak	Stoltzfus	Lindborg

Weekly Calendar

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUN 11/03	9:00 AM	Opening Exercises
	9:15 AM	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 AM	Worship Service & The Lord's Supper
	12:30 PM	Schoon Care Group
MON 11/04	6:00 PM	Hrivnak Care Group
TUES 11/05	6:00 PM	Session Meeting
WED 11/06	9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study
THURS 11/07	6:00 PM	Deacons' Meeting
SAT 11/09	6:00 PM	Stoltzfus Care Group
SUN 11/10	9:00 AM	Opening Exercises
	9:15 AM	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 AM	Worship Service

Announcements

☞ **The Lord's Supper:** The Lord's Supper will be celebrated today. An offering for the Deacon's Fund will be received at the back of the sanctuary.

☞ **30 Days of Prayer for Global Missions (November):** A prayer calendar is inserted in today's bulletin. Please use this to pray daily this month for the work of the gospel, especially in restricted-access countries.

☞ **Thanksgiving Celebration Dinner:** We will be having a carry-in lunch after the morning worship service on Sunday, November 24. We will enjoy fellowship and have an opportunity as a church family to thank God for His goodness. Pastor Andrew will lead the devotions after the meal. Everyone should please bring a main dish. Those members whose last name falls alphabetically between A -K should also bring a salad and those families between L-Z should also bring a dessert. This is a good time to invite your friends to the worship service and fellowship! Please talk to Jenni Gretzinger if you have questions.