November 10th, 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

We Gather Together to Ask the Lord's Blessings

arr. Berry

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.

"Brethren, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God.

Will you pray with all your power, while we try to preach the Word?

All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down.

Brethren pray, and holy manna will be showered all around."

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Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

arr. Tornquist

*Call to Worship

Psalm 103:1-5

*Hymn of Praise

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

No. 53

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.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!

Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee! Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee; ponder anew what the Almighty will do, if with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee, decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.

How oft in grief hath not He brought thee relief, spreading His wings to o'er-shade thee!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!

All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!

Let the amen sound from His people again; gladly fore'er we adore Him!

*Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 11:1-12 Pew Bible Page 1874

Prayer of Confession

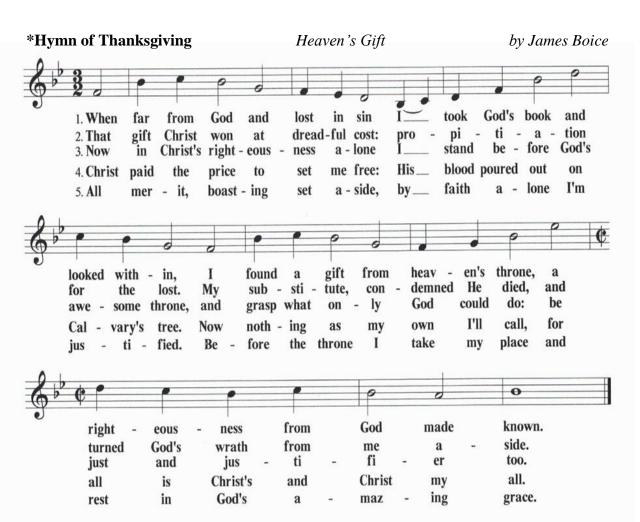
O Lord God, help us to put on the Lord Jesus Christ and to make no provision for the flesh. Wake us up, for the night is far gone and the day is at hand. Remind us that our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. Help us to strip off the works of darkness and to put on the armor of light, the armor of the Word of God. Help us to put away the perverse ways of our past and walk faithfully in the light of life; and not just for today, but for all the days that are left until You restore all things. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen. (Romans 13:11-14)

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Psalm 103:6-14

⁶ The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed. ⁷ He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel. ⁸ The Lord is merciful and

gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. ⁹ He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. ¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. ¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; ¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. ¹³ As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him. ¹⁴ For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.



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Heidelberg Catechism 12, 13, 14

- Q. 12 According to God's righteous judgment we deserve punishment both now and in eternity: how then can we escape this punishment and return to God's favor?
- A. God requires that his justice be satisfied. Therefore the claims of this justice must be paid in full, either by ourselves or by another.
- Q. 13 Can we make this payment ourselves?
- A. Certainly not. Actually, we increase our debt every day.
- Q. 14 Can another creature—any at all—pay this debt for us?
- A. No. To begin with, God will not punish any other creature for what a human is guilty of. Furthermore, no mere creature can bear the weight of God's eternal wrath against sin and deliver others from it.

Prayer of Intercession

Tithes and Offering

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

arr. Larson

*Hymn of Preparation

How Firm A Foundation

No. 94

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; for I am your God, and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand."

"When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be with you, your troubles to bless, and sanctify to you your deepest distress."

"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, My grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply; the flame shall not hurt you: I only design your dross to consume and your gold to refine."

"E'en down to old age all My people shall prove My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love; and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in My bosom be borne."

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to His foes; the soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

Sermon Shoulder to Shoulder: Gospel Partnership in Philippi Philippians 3:1-11 Pew Bible Page 1828

Outline

- 1. Salvation by works
 - a. What does 'acting a fool' reveal about ourselves?
 - b. We _____ that which is most important in our lives.
 - c. What are Paul's five reasons for glorifying in the flesh? (vv. 4-7)

- 2. Salvation by Christ
 - a. Salvation is through Christ _____
 - b. Circumcision (v. 3)
 - c. What is the power of the resurrection?
 - 1. Proof that we are forgiven
 - 2. Personal advocacy
 - 3. Foretaste of glory

Questions for Further Reflection:

- 1. Read 2 Peter 2:1-22 and Jude. What are some of the main characteristics of false teachers? Read 2 John 7-11. How are God's people to respond to false teachers?
- 2. Read John 1:18; 1 Peter 1:19; 1 John 3:5. Did Jesus lead a sinless life? Why is this important?
- 3. God's way is the only way to be saved. Man's way can never succeed. Suggest a few modern religious systems which contradict the clear teaching of the apostle Paul in Philippians 3:1-11.
- 4. How would you evangelize the people/groups you just mentioned and how would you help them to understand the true gospel of God's grace?

*Hymn of Response

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

No.521

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus name. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; in every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood; when all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found; dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

*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

Be Thou My Vision / Amazing Grace

arr. Chung

* Congregation: Please stand as able.

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Piano Intercessory Prayer Sandy DeGroot

Yon Lindborg, Elder

Serving the Lord

	11/10	11/17	11/24
	L. Hrivnak,	Y. Lindborg,	B. Hrivnak,
AM Nursery	Krystal T.	Aaron L.	Emily S.
Greeters	Lanenga	J. Faber	Stoltzfus
Treats	O'Neal	Lindborg	Hrivnak
Serve/Cleanup	O'Neal	Lindborg	Hrivnak
Audio	J. Martin	B. Armstrong	B. Schoon
Elder of the Week	Lindborg	Stoltzfus	Schoon

Weekly Calendar

DATE	TIME	EVENT
SUN 11/10	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 9:15 AM 10:30 AM	Worship Committee Meeting Opening Exercises Sunday School Classes Worship Service
	6:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
TUES 11/12	1:00 PM	PM Care Group
WED 11/13	9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study
SAT 11/16	8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study
SUN 11/17	9:00 AM 9:15 AM 10:30 AM 5:00 PM	Opening Exercises Sunday School Classes Worship Service Youth Bible Study

Important Upcoming Events

SUN 11/17	5:00 PM	Youth Bible Study at Gretzinger's house
SUN 11/24	12:00 PM	Thanksgiving Carry-In
SUN 12/1	6:00 PM	The Christmas Star presentation
SAT 12/21	12:00 PM	Christmas Cookie Exchange

Announcements

- 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.
- Good Shepherd, and any family or friends that would like to come, to join in a new tradition of fellowship. On December 21 at 12:00 o'clock, we will have a cookie exchange. Please bring 4 dozen cookies (bought or homemade) and return home with a new assortment of cookies. A soup lunch will be provided for you. Save the date for a time of meditation on the advent season and singing some carols. What a lovely way to get to know each other a little more and celebrate the birth of our King! A sign-up sheet is on the table in the foyer. Hope to see you there! *Please don't let the need for 4 dozen cookies to keep you away.... bring any or none...
- **Youth Bible Study:** It was great having several families attend the Youth Bible Study on Saturday, November 2. It was decided to meet every other Sunday evening at the Gretzinger's house. The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 17, at 5 pm.
- **Christmas Star Presentation:** On Sunday, December 1, Bruce Hrivnak will give the presentation *The Christmas Star* at our church starting at 6 pm. There will be refreshments after the talk (see the flier inserted in this bulletin). These fliers can be used to invite your friends and neighbors.
- **Organ:** Since the organ is in need of some minor repairs, the piano has been used the past few Sundays but the organ should be fixed in the near future.