

May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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

**Prelude**

*The Church's One Foundation*

arr. Berry

**Welcome and Announcements**

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

**Moments of Meditation**

*He Is Lord*

arr. Barker

"Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." Philippians 2:9-11

**\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 100:1-3

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*We Gather Together*

No. 363

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;  
He chastens and hastens His will to make known:  
the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing:  
sing praises to His name; He forgets not His own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,  
ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;  
so from the beginning the fight we were winning:  
Thou, Lord, wast at our side: \_ all glory be Thine!

We all do extol Thee, Thou leader triumphant,  
and pray that Thou still our defender wilt be.  
Let Thy congregation endure thro' tribulation:  
Thy name be ever prais'd!\_ O Lord, make us free!

### **\*Prayer of Invocation**

#### **Scripture Reading**

Isaiah 6:1-13  
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#### **Prayer of Confession**

Our gracious Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before You, and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are Yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God, and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things, we ask Your forgiveness, and we also ask for Your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness to You in our world. Remind us to be who You would have us to be, regardless of what we are doing or whom we are with. Hold us to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### **Assurance of Pardoning Grace**

Psalm 100:4-5

<sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! <sup>5</sup> For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

**\*Hymn of Thanksgiving**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

No. 529

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down:  
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, all Thy faithful mercies crown:  
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love Thou art;  
Visit us with Thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit, into ev'ry troubled breast;  
Let us all in Thee inherit, let us find the promised rest:  
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its Beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all Thy life receive;  
Suddenly return and never, never-more Thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve Thee as Thy hosts above,  
pray and praise Thee, without ceasing, glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish, then, Thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be:  
Let us see Thy great salvation perfectly restored in Thee;  
Changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before Thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

**Westminster Shorter Catechism 33-34**

Q. 33 What is justification?

**A. Justification is an act of God's free grace, wherein he pardoneth all our sins, and accepteth us as righteous in his sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, and received by faith alone.**

Q. 34 What is adoption?

**A. Adoption is an act of God's free grace, whereby we are received into the number, and have a right to all the privileges, of the sons of God.**

## **Prayer of Intercession**

### **Tithes and Offering**

*It Is Well with My Soul*

arr. Berry

### **\*Hymn of Preparation**

*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.

Sermon Outline

1. The Price of Discipleship

2. Jesus Came for Sinners

3. What About Fasting?

Questions for Further Consideration:

1. Does following Jesus always require self-sacrifice? Explain your answer.
2. Think of someone whom you know/have known that's a Christian that you greatly admire. What has that person given up in order to follow Jesus?
3. How can we help others with their sin without becoming self-righteous or judgmental?
4. Do you fast regularly for spiritual gain? Why or why not? Do you see any inherent value in it? Explain.

**\*Hymn of Response**

*Amazing Grace!*

No. 460

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

And when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease,  
I shall possess within the veil a life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.

**\*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**

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

arr. Chung

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

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**Piano**

Sandy DeGroot

**Intercessory Prayer**

Pastor Andrew Gretzinger

**Weekly Calendar**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUN 5/10	10:00 AM	Worship Service
WED 5/13	9:30 AM	Ladies' Bible Study (via Zoom conference)
SUN 5/17	10:00 AM	Worship Service

## Serving the Lord

	5/10	5/17	5/24
AM Nursery	N/A	N/A	N/A
Greeters	N/A	N/A	N/A
Treats	N/A	N/A	N/A
Serve/Cleanup	N/A	N/A	N/A
Audio	B. Armstrong	J. Martin	B. Schoon
Elder of the Week	Gretzinger	Lindborg	Schoon



## May Birthdays & Anniversaries

2 <sup>nd</sup> Caden McAuley	5 <sup>th</sup> Liam Gretzinger	8 <sup>th</sup> Darlene Stam
11 <sup>th</sup> Barb Hale	11 <sup>th</sup> Ken Sanders	12 <sup>th</sup> Alice Lindborg
24 <sup>th</sup> Matt & Ashley Stechly's Anniversary		
28 <sup>th</sup> Luke & Amanda McAuley's Anniversary		

## **Announcements**

**Women's Center of NWI:** We received a thank you letter from the Women's Center of NWI for our generous participation in the Sanctity of Human Life Baby Bottle Boomerang and our continued faithfulness to this ministry. Our church generously donated \$459.68 to this ministry. Thank you to all who participated! The letter is posted on the bulletin board just outside of the office.

**New Secretary:** As Sandy and Jerry DeGroot prepare to move to Iowa, Sandy has been training Melissa Stoltzfus to serve as the church secretary. Please send any announcements for the bulletin to Melissa either to the church's email at [info@goodshepherdpcanet.net](mailto:info@goodshepherdpcanet.net) or her personal email at [mbestoltzfus@gmail.com](mailto:mbestoltzfus@gmail.com) or by cell phone at 219-309-5092 by noon on Thursday, in order to be placed in the bulletin on Sunday.