# June 7, 2020

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

**Prelude** Great Is Thy Faithfulness arr. McMillen

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship Psalm 15:1-3

\*Hymn of Praise

Jesus Shall Reign

No. 441

arr. Nielson

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does his successive journeys run; his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head; his name, like sweet perfume, shall rise with every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.

Blessing abound where'er he reigns; the pris'ner leaps to lose his chains; the weary find eternal rest, and all the sons of want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our King; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen!

#### \*Prayer of Invocation

**Scripture Reading** 

Exodus 1:15-2:10

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Heavenly Father, we are helpless sinners who justly deserve your condemnation. Even on our best days, our lives are plagued by sin, our prayers are self-centered and weak, our remorse is ripe with impurity, and our confessions of wrongdoing are so many aggravations of sin. Father, we need to repent of our repentance, and our tears of remorse need washed from our sin. We never do anything but depart from you, and when we finally get to heaven, it will be because You willed it, and for no other reason than that. Be merciful to us, we pray, and wash us clean of our sin by the sacrifice that Jesus made for us on Calvary. For it's in Jesus' name that we pray, Amen.

## **Assurance of Pardoning Grace**

Psalm 15:4-5

<sup>4</sup> who despises a vile man but honors those who fear the LORD, who keeps his oath even when it hurts, <sup>5</sup> who lends his money without usury and does not accept a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things will never be shaken.

## \*Hymn of Thanksgiving

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

No. 297

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall, let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all!

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God, who from his altar call, who from his altar call; extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, and crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all!

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall, ye ransomed of the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all!

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall, the wormwood and the gall, go spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all!

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall, we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all!

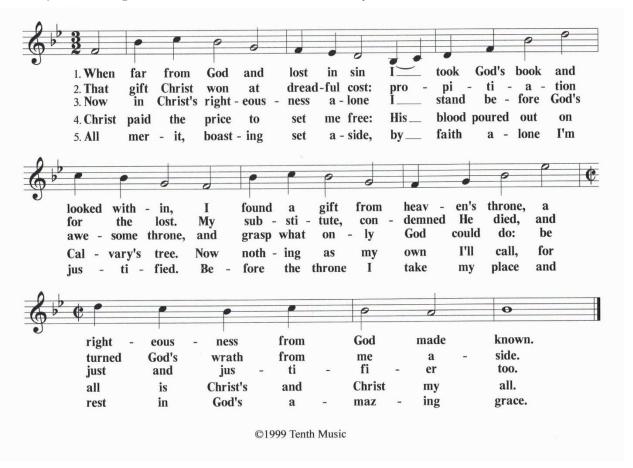
#### Westminster Shorter Catechism 43-44

- Q. 43 What is the preface to the Ten Commandments?
- A. The preface to the Ten Commandments is in these words, I am the LORD, thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.
- Q. 44 What doth the preface to the Ten Commandments teach us?
- A. The preface to the Ten Commandments teacheth us, that because God is the Lord, and our God, and Redeemer, therefore we are bound to keep all his commandments.

## **Prayer of Intercession**



## Heaven's Gift



Sermon

**Supernatural Love** 

Luke 6:27-36

Sermon Outline

1. Supernatural Love Proclaimed

2.	Supernatural Love Explained					
3.	Supernatural Love Retained					
Questions for Further Consideration						
1.	If someone were to say, 'Luke 6:27-36 teaches us to be doormats,' how should we answer?					
2.	Consider the reasons our Savior gives for showing kindness to enemies. In what ways did Jesus himself live this way? See Luke 22:49-51, 63-65; 23:9-11, 34.					
3.	What role does forgiveness play in our ability and willingness to love?					
4.	David seemed to forgive Shimei who cursed and threw stones at him (2 Sam. 16:5-12) yet later he called for his death (1 Kings 2:8,9). What does this teach us about forgiveness?					
5.	Are you more like the "sinners" described in Luke 6:32-34 or like God in Luke 6:35-36?					

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me? Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis myst'ry all! Th'Immortal dies: who can explore his strange design? In vain the firstborn seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine. 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds inquire no more. Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left his Father's throne above (so free, so infinite his grace!) Humbled himself (so great his love!), and bled for all his chosen race. 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for O my God, it found out me! Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Long my imprisoned spirit lay, fast bound in sin and nature's night; Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and followed thee. Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine! Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine. Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own. Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

#### \*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.

\* Congregation: Please stand as able.

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Organ & Piano Sandy Schoon

Intercessory Prayer Andrew Gretzinger, Pastor

# **Weekly Calendar**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	EVENT
SUN 6/7	10:00 AM	Worship Service (also available on YouTube and
		Facebook)
WED 6/10	9:30 AM	Ladies' Prayer & Fellowship (via Zoom)
SAT 6/13	9:00 AM	Men's Bible Study
SUN 6/14	10:00 AM	Worship Service (also available on YouTube and Facebook

# **Serving the Lord**

	6/7	6/14	6/21
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	J. Martin	B. Schoon	B. Armstrong
Elder of the Week	Gretzinger	Lindborg	Schoon



# June Birthdays & Anniversaries

$7^{\text{th}}$	Denise O'Neal	9 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Kern	$23^{rd}$	Maureen Birkett
$26^{th}$	Lorrie Martin	$27^{th}$	Andrew Gretzinger	$28^{th}$	Isaiah Martin
$29^{th}$	Robert Birkett	$29^{th}$	Lydia Trujillo		
$30^{th}$	Bill Ketner & Ethan L				

2<sup>nd</sup> Jerry & Sandy DeGroot's Anniversary

16<sup>th</sup> Bruce & Lucy Hrivnak's Anniversary

16<sup>th</sup> Jim & Lorrie Martin's Anniversary

25<sup>th</sup> Bryan & Denise O'Neal's Anniversary

#### **Announcements**

- ➤ Men's Bible Study: Men's Bible study will resume next Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 a.m. at church.
- ➤ **Guest Pastor:** Next Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, we will welcome retired Reverend Ted Gray to the pulpit. Rev. Gray served as pastor of the United Reformed Church and currently resides in Crown Point and happens to be the father of Ashley Stechly. During this service, we will celebrate the baptism of Kyah Stechly.
- ➤ Annual Congregational Meeting: This important meeting has been rescheduled for Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. More details to follow.
- ➤ **Church BBQ:** A church BBQ is being planned for Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, following the worship service. More details will be provided soon!
- ➤ Bridal Shower for Kara O'Neal: We are rescheduling the bridal shower for Kara O'Neal to Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. All the ladies are invited to attend! It will be held at the O'Neal home in their fenced-in backyard at 615 West St, Chesterton, IN 46304. Please RSVP to Denise O'Neal at 219-512-6412. Kara is registered at Bed Bath & Beyond and Amazon.
- ➤ Amberleigh Greene: Serving God in Morocco, a short presentation after worship on June 21. Amberleigh is a member of our church and the daughter of our former pastor Rick Greene. She recently graduated from Calvin University (congratulations!), with a major in Secondary French Education and a minor in English as a Second Language. She plans to work with an organization that places teams of teachers in different countries around the world. Stay and hear from her about this ministry and how you might support and encourage her in it. If you are interested in hearing her but are not able to be there, then please contact Amberleigh and she can work out some alternate plan with you (219 916-0833).