

July 28th, 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.

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.

“The heavens are yours, and yours also the earth; you founded the world and all that is in it.
You created the north and the south; Tabor and Hermon sing for joy at your name.”

Psalm 89:11-12

Shout to the North / O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

arr. Tornquist

Call to Worship

Psalm 145:8-13

***Hymn of Praise**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

No. 164 vs. 1-4

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.

My gracious Master and my God assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin, He sets the pris'ner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.

***Prayer of Invocation**

Prayer of Confession

Merciful Father, we come to confess our lack of faith in the reality of the resurrection. Like Thomas, we often live in defiant doubt of Your resurrection, evidenced by our idolatrous and self-centered lives. You allowed Your Son to bear the just and holy wrath that was reserved for us, even to the point of death. Yet You have sealed the promise of our forgiveness and perfect salvation by raising Him from the grave, victorious over death and hell itself. This amazing truth is what we have doubted. Forgive us, Lord, for this abuse of Your priceless gift. Help us to be children who live by faith, and not by sight. Help us to believe firmly in the power of the cross. We pray in the name of our glorious Redeemer. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

John 20:26-29

²⁶ A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." ²⁸ Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Hymn of ThanksgivingAll the Way My Savior Leads Me*

No. 605

All the way my Savior leads me; what have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt His tender mercy, who through life has been my guide?
Heav'nly peace, divinest comfort, here by faith in Him to dwell;
for I know, whate'er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well;
for I know, whate'er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well.

All the way my Savior leads me, cheers each winding path I tread,
gives me grace for ev'ry trial, feeds me with the living bread.
Though my weary steps may falter, and my soul athirst may be,
gushing from the rock before me, lo, a spring of joy I see;
gushing from the rock before me, lo, a spring of joy I see!

All the way my Savior leads me, O the fullness of His love!
Perfect rest to me is promised in my Father's house above:
when my spirit, clothed, immortal, wings its flight to realms of day,
this my song through endless ages: Jesus led me all the way;
this my song through endless ages: Jesus led me all the way!

***The Apostle's Creed**

Hymnal page 845

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

New City Catechism Question # 46

What is the Lord's Supper?

Christ commanded all Christians to eat bread and to drink from the cup in thankful remembrance of him and his death. The Lord's Supper is a celebration of the presence of God in our midst; bringing us into communion with God and with one another; feeding and nourishing our souls. It also anticipates the day when we will eat and drink with Christ in his Father's kingdom.

Prayer of Intercession

Tithes and Offering

The Power of the Cross (Oh to See the Dawn)

arr. Koerts

*Chorus 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.

Sermon

What is Love?

1 Corinthians 13
Pew Bible Page 1786

Sermon Notes:

*Chorus of Response

In Christ Alone



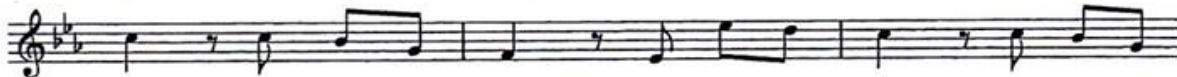
1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my
 2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full - ness of
 3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the



light, my strength my song; This Cor - ner - stone, this sol - id
 God in help - less babel! This gift of love and right - eous -
 world, by dark - ness slain; Then, burst - ing forth in glo - rious -
 pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first cry to fi - nal



ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of
 ness, scorned by the ones He came to save. 'Till on the
 day, up from the grave He rose a - gain! And as He
 breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of



love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings
 cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is -
 stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on
 hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from His



cease. My com - fort - er, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I
 fied. For ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I
 me; For I am His and He is mine, bought with the pre - cious blood of
 hand; 'Til He re - turns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll



stand.
 live.
 Christ.
 stand!

***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**

Nothing but the Blood

arr. Huggins

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

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Piano

Scripture, New City Catechism & Intercessory Prayer

Denise O'Neal
Bruce Stoltzfus, Elder

Weekly Calendar

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUN 7/28	10:30 AM	Worship Service
SUN 8/04	10:30 AM	Worship Service & The Lord's Supper

Serving the Lord

	7/28	8/04	8/11
AM Nursery	L. Martin, Grace M.	B. Schoon, Emily S.	L. Hrivnak, Krystal T.
Greeters	Stechly	Trujillo	Lauer
Audio	B. Schoon	B. Armstrong	J. Martin
Elder of the Week	Stoltzfus	Lindborg	Hrivnak



August Birthdays & Anniversaries

2 nd	Mallory Vanderstar	5 th	Valerie Lash	6 th	Emily Katayama
10 th	Pete Lanenga	12 th	Alanna Tuitman	14 th	Eli McAuley
14 th	Jimmy Trujillo	17 th	Abigail Martin	18 th	Martha Gasche
23 rd	Lucy Hrivnak	29 th	Alan Tuitman		
30 th	Matt & Jennifer Vanderstar's Anniversary				

Announcements

☞ **Guest Pastor:** We welcome Pastor Curtis McDaniel to our pulpit this morning. Curtis is the Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) Campus Pastor at Purdue University in West Lafayette. Next week we welcome Walter Lorenz, Pastor at Large of the Great Lakes Presbytery and our interim pastor. The Lord's Supper will be celebrated next week Sunday.

☞ **Thank You:** Phyllis Sederberg expresses her thanks to the congregation for the prayers and cards she received during her stay in Life Care Center. She has returned home but will not be coming to church until she has regained her strength.

☞ **Friendship Families:** Friendship Families is a ministry of several local churches in which families or individuals are matched with an incoming international student at Valparaiso University. This is a great way to show the love of Christ to students from all over the world! Consider being a part of this ministry! It involves getting together monthly with your student(s). Several families in the church have done this in past years. See Lucy Hrivnak if you are interested or have questions.