



October 11, 2020

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

**Offering** Please put tithe in lock box at the back of sanctuary before the service begins.

**Prelude**

*Come Thou, Almighty King  
How Great Is Our God*

arr. Culli  
arr. Labenske

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 31:1-2

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*In Christ Alone*



In Christ a-lone my hope is found. He is my light, my strength, my  
In Christ a-lone, who took on flesh, full-ness of God in help-less  
There in the ground His bod-y lay, Light of the world, by dark-ness  
No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in



song; This Cor-ner-stone, this sol-id ground, firm through the  
babe! This gift of love and right-eous-ness, scorned by the  
slain; Then, burst-ing forth in glo-rious day, up from the  
me; From life's first cry to fi-nal breath, Je-sus com-



fierc-est drought and storm. What heights of love, what depchs of  
ones He came to save. 'Till on the cross as Je-sus  
grave He rose a-gain! And as He stands in vic-to-  
mands my des-ti-ny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of



peace, when fears are stilled, when striv-ings cease. My com-fort  
died, the wrath of God was sat-is-fied. For ev-'ry  
ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on me; For I am  
man, can ev-er pluck me from His hand; 'Til He re-



er, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.  
sin on Him was laid; here in the depth of Christ I live.  
His and He is mine, bought with the pre-cious blood of Christ.  
turns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

## **\*Prayer of Invocation**

### **Scripture Reading**

**Exodus 10:21-29**

### **Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, since You delay with so much forbearance the punishments which we have deserved and daily draw on ourselves, grant that we may not indulge ourselves, but carefully consider how often and in how many different ways we have provoked Your wrath against us. May we learn humbly to present ourselves to You for pardon, and with true repentance implore Your mercy. With all our heart we desire to submit ourselves to You, whether thou chastise us, or according to Your infinite goodness, forgive us. Let our condition be ever blessed, not by flattering ourselves in our apathy, but by finding You to be our kind and bountiful Father, reconciled to us in thine only-begotten Son. In Jesus name, Amen.

By John Calvin, taken from Prayers of the Reformers compiled by Clyde Manschreck

### **Assurance of Pardoning Grace**

**Psalm 31:6-7**

<sup>6</sup> I hate those who cling to worthless idols; I trust in the LORD. <sup>7</sup> I will be glad and rejoice in your love, for you saw my affliction and knew the anguish of my soul.

### **\*Hymn of Thanksgiving**

*Psalm 31*

Trinity Psalter

Tune: *All Glory, Laud, & Honor*

<sup>1</sup> In you LORD, I take refuge;

Ashamed let me not be.

Your righteousness eternal

Express by saving me;

<sup>2</sup> Incline your ear to hear me;

With speed deliver me.

To me O be a strong rock

A fort to rescue me.

<sup>3</sup> You are my rock and fortress;  
For your sake lead and guide.  
<sup>4</sup> Free me from nets they've hidden;  
My stronghold you abide.  
<sup>5</sup> I now commit my spirit  
Into your outstretched hand.  
I know you have redeemed me,  
LORD God of truths that stand.

<sup>6</sup> I hate those serving idols;  
My trust is in the LORD.  
<sup>7</sup> I'll triumph in your mercy;  
For anguish you regard.  
You've known my soul's  
afflictions,  
Kept me from hostile hand.  
<sup>8</sup> My feet you have established  
Where they have room to stand.

<sup>9</sup> O LORD have mercy on me,  
For anguish fills my life;  
My eye, my soul, my body  
Are all consumed with grief.  
<sup>10</sup> My life is drained by sorrow,  
My years with sighing spent;  
I've lost my strength by sinning;  
My bones are weak and bent.

### **Westminster Shorter Catechism 82-84**

Q. 82 Is any man able to perfectly to keep the commandments of God?

**A. No mere man, since the fall, is able in this life perfectly to keep the commandments of God, but doth daily break them in thought, word, and deed.**

Q. 83 Are all transgressions of the law equally heinous?

**A. Some sins in themselves, and by reason of several aggravations, are more heinous in the sight of God than others.**

Q. 84 What doth every sin deserve?

**A. Every sin deserveth God's wrath and curse, both in this life, and that which is to come.**

### **Prayer of Intercession**

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

*Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness*

No. 520

Jesus, thy blood and righteousness my beauty are, my glorious dress;  
'midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed, with joy shall I lift up my head.

Bold shall I stand in thy great day; for who aught to my charge shall lay?  
Fully absolved through these I am from sin and fear, from guilt and shame.

When from the dust of death I rise to claim my mansion in the skies,  
ev'n then this shall be all my plea, Jesus hath lived, hath died, for me.

Jesus, be endless praise to thee, whose boundless mercy hath for me -  
for me a full atonement made, an everlasting ransom paid.

O let the dead now hear thy voice; now bid thy banished ones rejoice;  
their beauty this, their glorious dress, Jesus, thy blood and righteousness.

Outline

1. Taking Up Your Cross

2. Saving vs. Losing

3. Shame

**Discussion Questions:**

1. What do most people mean when they talk about “taking up their cross”? What does Jesus mean by this expression?
2. Have you ever been guilty of seeking to gain the whole world? How did it end?
3. What are some ways that shame drives our society? How can we deal with this shame in a more complete way?
4. What is the kingdom of God (Luke 9:27)? What does it mean to see it come? How do we know that it has indeed come?

**\*Hymn of Response**

**Praise**

*Lift High the Cross*

No. 263

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

Come, brethren, follow where our Savior trod, our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as Thou hast promised, draw men unto Thee.  
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

Thy kingdom come, that earth's despair may cease beneath the shadow of its healing peace.  
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

For Thy best cross which doth for us atone, creation's praises rise before Thy throne.  
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

**\*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**                      *Let All Who Have Breath Praise the Lord!*                      arr. Wagner

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

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<b>Keyboard</b>	Sandy Schoon
Piano	Grayden Lash
<b>Intercessory Prayer</b>	Nelson Schoon

**Weekly Calendar**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUN 10/11	9:00 AM	<b>Opening Exercises</b>
	9:15 AM	<b>Sunday School</b>
	10:30 AM	<b>Worship Service</b> (available YouTube & Facebook)
	11:30 AM	<b>Special Congregational Meeting</b> (immediately following the sermon)
	6:00 PM	<b>Prayer Meeting</b>

