

The Lord's Day

April 22, 2012
9:30 & 11:00 AM

*We welcome you to worship today. It is a privilege to have you as our guest.
As you enter the sanctuary, begin to worship quietly with personal prayer.
Please turn off your cell phone and turn your thoughts toward God.*

We prepare for worship

Take a moment and meditate on this as you prepare for worship...

Worship is the activity of the new life of a believer in which, recognizing the fullness of the Godhead as it is revealed in the person of Jesus Christ and his mighty redemptive acts, he seeks by the power of the Holy Spirit to render to the living God the glory, honor and submission which are his due.

Robert G. Rzyburn

Prelude *Near the Cross* arr. Wendall
Mrs. Gloria Hague, Director of Music

Choral Introit (11 AM) *The Lord Is in the Holy Temple* Hopson
The Lord is in the holy temple. Let all the earth keep silence before God.

We praise our great God

*God's Call to Worship (responsive) Psalm 34:1-3, 8

I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

My soul will boast in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.

**Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who takes
refuge in him.**

*Hymn No. 26 *Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord* Woodlands

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord:
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
Tender to me the promise of his word;
In God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name;
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
His mercy sure, from age to age the same;
His holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might;
Pow'rs and dominion lay their glory by;
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word:
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
To children's children and forever more.

*Invocation

We embrace Christ our Savior

Psalter Reading

Psalm 103

(Hymnal, pg. 821)

Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits—

who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,

who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion,

who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

The LORD works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed.

He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel:

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever;

he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him;

for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.

As for man, his days are like grass, he flourishes like a flower of the field;

the wind blows over it and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more.

But from everlasting to everlasting the LORD's love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children's children—

with those who keep his covenant and remember to obey his precepts.

The LORD has established his throne in heaven,

and his kingdom rules over all.

Praise the LORD, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word.

Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will.

Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion.

Praise the LORD, O my soul.

**The Gloria Patri*

(Hymnal, pg. 735)

*Our Assurance of Grace (responsive)

Romans 12:1, 2

Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—

this is [our] spiritual act of worship.

Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world,

But be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

*Hymn No. 252

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Hamburg

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count by loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God:
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

The Children's Choir will have short rehearsals after the 11:00 A.M. service for the next four weeks, no sandwiches will be needed.

A College and Career Bible Study will begin this Wednesday night at 7:30 PM at the church. Join us as we examine the book of James.

If you'd like to review the order of worship before you come to church on Sunday, the bulletin is now available on our website: www.aisquith.org on Friday. The words to the hymns and readings are also posted so that you can come prepared to participate as we worship God together.