

The Lord's Day

March 18, 2018

10:30 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...

And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. **Matthew 10:38, 39**

Prelude

Near the Cross

Doane

Mrs. Gloria Hague, Director of Music

We praise our great God

*Call to Worship (responsive)

Psalm 107:1, 2, 8, 9 (ESV)

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble...

Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of men!

For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things.

*Hymn No. 255

O Jesus, We Adore Thee

Meirionydd

O Jesus, we adore thee, upon the cross, our King!

We bow our hearts before thee, thy gracious name we sing.

That name hath brought salvation, that name in life our stay,

Our peace, our consolation, when life shall fade away.

Yet doth the world disdain thee, still passing by the cross;

Lord, may our hearts retain thee; all else we count but loss.

Ah, Lord, our sins arraigned thee, and nailed thee to the tree:

Our pride, our Lord, disdained thee; yet deign our hope to be.

O glorious King, we bless thee, no longer pass thee by;

O Jesus, we confess thee, the Son enthroned on high.

Lord, grant to us remission; life through thy death restore;

Yea, grant us the fruition of life forevermore.

*Invocation

We embrace Christ our Savior

Psalter Reading (responsive)

Psalm 22

(Hymnal pg. 790)

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning?

O my God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer, by night, and am not silent.

Yet you are enthroned as the Holy One; you are the praise of Israel.

In you our fathers put their trust; they trusted and you delivered them.

They cried to you and were saved; in you they trusted and were not disappointed.

But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by men and despised by the people.

All who see me mock me; they hurl insults, shaking their heads:

“He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD rescue him.

“Let him deliver him, since he delights in him.”

Yet you brought me out of the womb; you made me trust in you even at my mother’s breast.

From birth I was cast upon you; from my mother’s womb you have been my God.

Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.

Many bulls surround me; strong bulls of Bashan encircle me.

Roaring lions tearing their prey open their mouths wide against me.

I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint.

My heart has turned to wax; it has melted away within me.

My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; you lay me in the dust of death.

Dogs have surrounded me;

A band of evil men has encircled me, they have pierced my hands and my feet.

I can count all my bones; people stare and gloat over me.

They divide my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing.

But you, O LORD, be not far off; O my Strength, come quickly to help me.

Deliver my life from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dogs.

Rescue me from the mouth of the lions; save me from the horns of the wild oxen.

I will declare your name to my brothers; in the congregation I will praise you.

Assurance of Pardon (responsive)

1 Peter 2:21b-25 (ESV)

Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps.

He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth.

When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly.

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness.

By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Confession of Faith (responsive)

The Children’s Catechism

Q. 14. Where do you learn how to love and obey God?

A. In the Bible alone.

Q. 15. Who wrote the Bible?

A. Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit.

Q. 16. Who were our first parents?

A. Adam and Eve.

Q. 17. Of what were our first parents made?

A. God made the body of Adam out of the ground, and formed Eve from the body of Adam.

Q. 18. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies?

A. He gave them souls that could never die.

Q. 19. Have you a soul as well as a body?

A. Yes; I have a soul that can never die.

Q. 20. How do you know that you have a soul?

A. Because the Bible tells me so.

Children’s Church Graduation

Andrew Leubecker & Joseph Kuriny

*Hymn No. 460

Amazing Grace

Traditional American

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.

Aisquith Life and Opportunities

The Prayers of God's People and the Lord's Prayer (in unison)

We respond in gratitude for God's blessing

**The Doxology (Hymnal, pg. 731)* and Prayer of Dedication

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory

He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word

arr. Hopson

Jeff Soule, soloist

They crucified my Lord; and he never said a mumbalin' word...not a word...They nailed him to the tree; never said a word...and he never said a mumbalin' word, not a word. He bowed his head and died; and he never said a mumbalin' word...not a word.

Musical Interlude

After the Offertory, children grades 1-4 may recess for Children's Church through the side door, or may remain with their families.

We hear God speak

Scripture Reading

Matthew 27:32-56

(Pew Bible, pg. 705)

The Crucifixion

³² As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross. ³³ And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), ³⁴ they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. ³⁵ And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots. ³⁶ Then they sat down and kept watch over him there. ³⁷ And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." ³⁸ Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. ³⁹ And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads ⁴⁰ and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." ⁴¹ So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, ⁴² "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him." ⁴³ He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, "I am the Son of God." ⁴⁴ And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.

The Death of Jesus

⁴⁵ Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. ⁴⁶ And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" ⁴⁷ And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, "This man is calling Elijah." ⁴⁸ And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink. ⁴⁹ But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." ⁵⁰ And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.

⁵¹ And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks were split. ⁵² The tombs also were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised, ⁵³ and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many. ⁵⁴ When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, “Truly this was the Son of God!”

⁵⁵ There were also many women there, looking on from a distance, who had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to him, ⁵⁶ among whom were Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joseph and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

Sermon

“The King’s Agony”

Pastor Bell

We respond to God’s grace

*Hymn No. 263

Lift High the Cross

Crucifer

Refrain:

***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.

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu’ring ranks combine.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As thou hast promised, draw men unto thee.

Thy kingdom come, that earth’s despair may cease
Beneath the shadow of its healing peace.

For thy blest cross which doth for us atone,
Creation’s praises rise before thy throne.

*Benediction and Three-Fold *Amen* (*Hymnal*, pg. 740)

Postlude

Interlude

Danish

Muffat

*Those who are able, please stand.

The Youth Group will be viewing the movie *Is Genesis History?* tonight. The congregation is invited to attend, but please do NOT invite friends to come. The movie begins at 6:45 PM.

If you would like to give a special gift for our music ministry you can do so by using a pink pew envelope and marking it “Tiemann Music Fund.”

Please check for any Trinity hymnals or church library books you may have inadvertently carried home with you (and not returned!). A number of items are missing. Also, we have still not found two of the new hearing assist devices which disappeared the first week we had them. Help us be good stewards of the things which God has given.

This Week at Aisquith

TODAY

10:30 AM Worship
Children’s Church (grades 1-4)
6:30 PM Youth Group tonight!

TUESDAY

10:30 AM Ladies’ Bible Study (church library)
10:30 AM Men’s Bible Study (1st floor classroom)

7:30 PM Session and Deacons' Meetings
WEDNESDAY 7:30 PM Youth Bible Study (call for location)
THURSDAY 7:30 PM Choir practice
NEXT SUNDAY 9:00 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Worship
Children's Church (grades 1-4)
No Youth Group tonight!

Coming soon

Maunday Thursday Service, March 29th at 7:00 PM at APC

Good Friday Service, March 30th at 7:00 PM at LRPC

Easter Sunday, April 1st at 10:30 AM
(the Baltimore Brass will play a ten minute prelude)

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