

The Lord's Day

March 3, 2019

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...

Salvation comes by believing the gospel of Christ...What we believe is as important as believing it. In every generation, every believer faces the challenge of making sure that we believe the truth and not a pack of lies; that we stand firm on what God has revealed as the way of salvation and don't get dragged down the sewer along with the wishful thinking or traditions of the culture into which we happen to have been born.

David R. Jackson in *Crying Out for Vindication*, pg. 64

Prelude

Canon in D

Pachelbel

Teresa Deckard, Flute

Mrs. Gloria Hague, Director of Music

We praise our great God

*Call to Worship

Psalm 18:1-3, 46 (ESV)

I love you, O LORD, my strength.

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,

my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

I call upon the LORD, who is worthy of praise, and I am saved from my enemies.

The LORD lives! And blessed be [our] Rock, and exalted be the God of [our] salvation—

*Hymn No. 75

O Father, You Are Sovereign

St. Theodolph

O Father, you are sovereign in all the worlds you made;
Your mighty word was spoken and light and life obeyed.
Your voice commands the seasons and bounds the ocean's shore,
Sets stars within their courses and still the tempest's roar.

O Father, you are sovereign in all affairs of man;
No pow'rs of death or darkness can thwart your perfect plan.
All chance and change transcending, supreme in time and space,
You hold your trusting children secure in your embrace.

O Father, you are sovereign, the Lord of human pain,
Transmuting earthly sorrows to gold of heav'nly gain.
All evil over-ruling, as none but Conqu'ror could,
Your love pursues its purpose—our souls' eternal good.

O Father, you are sovereign! We see you dimly now,
But soon before your triumph earth's every knee shall bow.
With this glad hope before us our faith springs up anew;
Our sovereign Lord and Savior, we trust and worship you!

*Invocation

We embrace Christ our Savior

The Law of God

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.” **Matt. 22:37-40**

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (responsive)

Philippians 2:1-4 (ESV)

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love,
any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy,
 complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind.

Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.

Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

*Confession of Faith (unison)

The Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 112

What is required in the ninth commandment? **That I bear false witness against no man¹ nor falsify any man’s words;² that I be no backbiter nor slanderer;³ that I do not judge, nor join in condemning any man rashly or unheard;⁴ but that I avoid all sorts of lies and deceit,⁵ as the proper works of the devil,⁶ unless I would bring down upon me the heavy wrath of God; likewise, that in judgment and all other dealings I love the truth, speak it uprightly and confess it;⁷ also that I defend and promote, as much as I am able, the honor and good character of my neighbor.⁸**

¹ Prov. 19:5, 9; 21:28 ² Ps. 15:3 ³ Rom. 1:29, 30 ⁴ Matt. 7:1; Lk. 6:37

⁵ Lev. 19:11 ⁶ Prov. 12:22; 13:5 ⁷ 1 Cor. 13:6; Eph. 4:25 ⁸ 1 Pe. 4:8

*Hymn No. 246

Man of Sorrows! What a Name

Bliss

Man of Sorrows! What a name for the Son of God who came
 Ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned he stood,
 Sealed my pardon with his blood: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless, we; spotless Lamb of God was he;
 Full atonement! Can it be? Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Lifted up was he to die, “It is finished!” was his cry;
 Now in heav’n exalted high: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

When he comes, our glorious King, all his ransomed home to bring,
 Then anew this song we’ll sing: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Installation of Officers and Deaconesses

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

Nothing But the Blood of Jesus

arr. Courtney

The Adult Choir

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. ***O precious is the flow that makes me bright as snow; No other fount I know; nothing but the blood of Jesus.*** For my pardon this I see; nothing but the blood of Jesus. For my cleansing this my plea; nothing but the

blood of Jesus... This is all my hope and peace: nothing but the blood of Jesus. This is all my righteousness; nothing but the blood of Jesus. Nothing can for sin atone; nothing but the blood of Jesus. Naught of good that I have done; nothing but the blood of Jesus...

The children may dismiss for church-time programs.

We hear God speak in Word and Sacrament

Scripture Reading	Job 4-7	(Pew Bible, pg. 361)
Sermon	“When Friends Are Miserable Comforters”	Pastor Bell
Hymn No. 429 (vv. 1, 2)	<i>Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured</i>	Crüger

Let thy blood in mercy poured, let thy gracious body broken,
Be to me, O gracious Lord, of thy boundless love the token.

Thou didst give thyself for me, now I give myself to thee.

Thou didst die that I might live; blessed Lord, thou cam’st to save me;
All that love of God cold give, Jesus by his sorrow gave me.

The Lord’s Supper

We respond to God’s grace

*Hymn No. 429 (vv. 3, 4)	<i>Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured</i>	Crüger
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By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear wound and the nailing,
By the pain and death I now claim, O Christ, thy love unfailing.

Thou didst give thyself for me, now I give myself to thee.

Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my penitence I give thee;
Thou art my exalted King, of thy matchless love unfailing.

*Benediction and Three-Fold <i>Amen</i> (Hymnal, pg. 740)		Danish
Postlude	<i>Allegro</i>	Purcell

*Those who are able, please stand.

Our thanks to Teresa Deckard for being with us today. Teresa is a member of Westminster PCA in Lancaster.

Next Sunday begins Daylight Savings Time. Don’t forget to set your clocks AHEAD one hour when you go to bed on Saturday night.

Andrew Oswinkle will present a **Classical Guitar concert** at Aisquith on Sunday, March 17th at 3:00 PM. An offering will be taken.

A **new film**, Patterns of Evidence, The Moses’ Controversy is coming on March 14, 16, and 18. In it the filmmaker seeks scientific evidence that Moses actually wrote the first books of the Bible. Check the website for locations and times: <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/patterns-of-evidence-the-moses-controversy>.

This Week at Aisquith

TODAY	10:30 AM	Worship
TUESDAY	10:30 AM	Ladies’ and Men’s Bible Studies (at the church)
	7:00 PM	Ladies’ Bible Study (church library)

WEDNESDAY **6:30 PM** **Soup and Salad Supper**
 7:15 PM **Lenten Service (rm. 11)**

THURSDAY **7:30 PM** **Choir practice**

SUNDAY **9:00 AM** **Sunday School**
 10:30 AM **Worship**
 6:30-8:30 PM **Youth Group**

Coming Soon

Sunday, March 17, 2019 at 3:00 PM **Guitar Concert**
 by Andrew Oswinkle

Sunday, May 5, 2019 **The National Christian Choir Concert**

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