

## *The Lord's Day*

August 11, 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...

*And the LORD brought Abraham outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." ... "I will surely do you good, and make your offspring as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude."*

**Genesis 15:5; 32:12**

Prelude

Mr. Scott Engel

### **We praise our great God**

\*Call to Worship

Psalm 67:1-5

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine upon us.

**that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations.**

May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you.

**May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples justly and guide the nations of the earth.**

May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you.

\*Hymn No. 76 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* Lauda Amina

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet your tribute bring;  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, his praise should sing?  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor to our fathers in distress;  
Praise him, still the same forever, slow to chide and swift to bless;  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, glorious in his faithfulness.

Fatherlike, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;  
In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes;  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.

Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish, blows the wind and it is gone;  
But while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on.  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the High Eternal One.

Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face;  
Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space,  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.

\*Invocation

### **We embrace Christ our Savior**

I waited patiently for the LORD; he turned to me and heard my cry.

**He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.**

He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God.

**Many will see and fear and put their trust in the LORD.**

Blessed is the man who makes the LORD his trust, who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.

**Many, O LORD my God, are the wonders you have done.**

The things you planned for us no one can recount to you;

**were I to speak and tell of them, they would be too many to declare.**

Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but my ears you have pierced;

**burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not require.**

Then I said, "Here I am, I have come—it is written about me in the scroll.

**"I desire to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."**

I proclaim righteousness in the great assembly; I do not seal my lips, as you know, O LORD.

**I do not hide your righteousness in my heart; I speak of your faithfulness and salvation.**

I do not conceal your love and your truth from the great assembly.

**Do not withhold your mercy from me, O LORD; may your love and your truth always protect me.**

## Assurance of Pardon

Romans 3:21-25a; 5:1-2

But now a righteousness from God, apart from the law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify.

**This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.**

There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

**and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.**

God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood.

**Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,**

through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

## \*Confession of Faith

Westminster Confession of Faith, II.2

**God hath all life, glory, goodness, blessedness, in and of himself; and is alone in and unto himself all-sufficient, not standing in need of any creatures which he hath made, nor deriving any glory from them, but only manifesting his own glory in, by, unto, and upon them. He is the alone fountain of all being, of whom, through whom, and to whom are all things; and hath most sovereign dominion over them, to do by them, for them, or upon them whatsoever himself pleaseth. In his sight all things are open manifest, his knowledge is infinite, infallible, and independent upon the creature, so as nothing is to him contingent, or uncertain. He is most holy in all his counsels, in all his works, and in all his commands. To him is due from angels and men, and every other creature, whatsoever worship, service, or obedience he is pleased to require of them.**

\*Hymn No. 522     *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*     St. Petersburg

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

***On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.***

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood;  
When all around my soul give way, he then is all my hope and stay.

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found;  
Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.

Old Testament Reading      Judges 14:1-7      (Pew Bible, pg. 181)

Judges 14:1-7 English Standard Version (ESV)

Samson's Marriage

14 Samson went down to Timnah, and at Timnah he saw one of the daughters of the Philistines. 2 Then he came up and told his father and mother, "I saw one of the daughters of the Philistines at Timnah. Now get her for me as my wife." 3 But his father and mother said to him, "Is there not a woman among the daughters of your relatives, or among all our people, that you must go to take a wife from the uncircumcised Philistines?" But Samson said to his father, "Get her for me, for she is right in my eyes."

4 His father and mother did not know that it was from the Lord, for he was seeking an opportunity against the Philistines. At that time the Philistines ruled over Israel.

5 Then Samson went down with his father and mother to Timnah, and they came to the vineyards of Timnah. And behold, a young lion came toward him roaring. 6 Then the Spirit of the Lord rushed upon him, and although he had nothing in his hand, he tore the lion in pieces as one tears a young goat. But he did not tell his father or his mother what he had done. 7 Then he went down and talked with the woman, and she was right in Samson's eyes.

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

*The children may dismiss for church-time programs.*

**We hear God Speak**

Text      Revelation 7:9-12      (Pew Bible, pg. 871)

Revelation 7:9-12 English Standard Version (ESV)

A Great Multitude from Every Nation

<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup> and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup> And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup> saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Sermon      "The Great Multitude"      Pastor Ceselsky

**We respond to God's Grace**

\*Hymn (Back)      *In Christ Alone*      Getty

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song.  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My Comforter, my All in All,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
'Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied.  
For every sin on Him was laid,  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground, His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain.  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day,  
Up from the grave He rose again.  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost it's grip on me.  
For I am His and He is mine,  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me.  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand.  
'Till He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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

Danish

Now to him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy – to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore.

Postlude

\*Those who are able please stand.

**We Welcome and Thank** Mr. Scott Engel for playing the organ for us this morning.

**Nursery Attendants:** TODAY, Judi Mason; NEXT WEEK, August 18<sup>th</sup>, Mary Ann Kauffman.

### **This Week at Aisquith**

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Youth Group</b>

**THURSDAY 7:00 PM WIC Book Club**

**SUNDAY 10:30 AM Worship  
No Youth Group Tonight!**

**Coming Soon**

**Sunday, September 8 Impact Pot-Luck Dinner**

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