

The Lord's Day

June 7, 2020
10:30 AM

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

We prepare for worship

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

God has no problem whatsoever using the muck and mire of our worst days to make his progress toward his good goal happen.

Ken Sundet Jones

Prelude

Mr. Stephen Holmes

Aisquith Life and Opportunities

We praise our great God

Call to Worship

Psalm 67:3-5 (ESV)

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Hymn No. 40

God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength

Bethlehem

God is our refuge and our strength, our ever present aid,
And therefore though the earth remove, we will not be afraid;
Though hills amidst the sea be cast, though foaming waters roar,
Yea, though the mighty billows shake the mountains on the shore.

A river flows whose streams make glad the city of our God,
The holy place wherein the Lord Most High has his abode.
Since God is in the midst of her, unmoved her walls shall stand,
For God will be her early help, when trouble is at hand.

The nations raged, the kingdoms moved, but when his voice was heard,
The troubled earth was stilled to peace before his mighty word.
The Lord of Hosts is on our side, our safety to secure;
The God of Jacob is for us a refuge strong and sure.

O come, behold what wondrous works Jehovah's hand has wrought;
Come, see what desolation great he on the earth has brought.
To utmost ends of all the earth he causes war to cease;
The weapons of the strong destroyed, he makes abiding peace.

“Be still and know that I am God, o'er all exalted high;
The subject nations of the earth my name shall magnify.”
The Lord of Hosts is on our side, our safety to secure;
The God of Jacob is for us a refuge strong and sure.

Invocation

We embrace Christ our Savior

Psalter Reading (responsive)

Psalm 66

(Hymnal, pg. 807)

Shout with joy to God, all the earth!

Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious!

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

"So great is your power that your enemies cringe before you.

"All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise to you, they sing praise to your name."

Come and see what God has done, how awesome his works in man's behalf!

He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the waters on foot—come, let us rejoice in him.

He rules forever by his power, his eyes watch the nations—let not the rebellious rise up against him.

Praise our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard;

he has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping.

For you, O God, tested us; you refined us like silver.

You brought us into prison and laid burdens on our backs.

You let men ride over our heads;

we went through fire and water, but you brought us to a place of abundance.

I will come to your temple with burnt offerings and fulfill my vows to you—vows my lips promised and my mouth spoke when I was in trouble.

I will sacrifice fat animals to you and an offering of rams; I will offer bulls and goats.

Come and listen, all you who fear God; let me tell you what he has done for me.

I cried out to him with my mouth; his praise was on my tongue.

If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened; but God has surely listened and heard my voice in prayer.

Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me!

The *Gloria Patri* (Hymnal, pg. 735)

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Assurance of Pardon

James 1:22-25 (ESV)

But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

Confession of Faith (unison)

Westminster Confession of Faith, III.1

God from all eternity, did, by the most wise and holy counsel of His own will, freely, and unchangeably ordain whatsoever comes to pass: yet so, as thereby neither is God the author of sin, nor is violence offered to the will of the creatures; nor is the liberty or contingency of second causes taken away, but rather established.

Hymn

Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near

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John Fawcett (1782), Connie Dever (Chorus)

Connie Dever

1. Af - lict - ed saint, to Christ draw near, Your Sa - vior's gra - cious
 2. Your faith is weak, your foes are strong, and if the con - flict
 3. Should per - se - cu - tion, rage and flame, still trust in your Re -
 4. When called to bear your weigh - ty cross, or sore af - flic - tion,

pro - mise hear, His faith - ful Word, you can be - lieve, that as your days_ your
 should be long, the Lord will make the temp - ter flee, that as your days_ your
 deem - er's name; in fier - y tri - als you shall see, that as your days_ your
 pain, or loss, or deep dis - tress or po - ver - ty, still as your days_ your

1. strength shall be. (Repeat to Vs. 2)
 strength shall be. So, sing with joy, af - flic - ed one; the bat - tle's
 strength shall be.
 strength shall be.

fierce, but the vic - tory's won; God shall sup - ply all_ that you

need. Yes, as your days_ your strength shall be.

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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
The Offertory

We hear God speak

Scripture Reading

Genesis 49:22-28 (ESV)

²² “Joseph is a fruitful bough,
a fruitful bough by a spring;
his branches run over the wall.
²³ The archers bitterly attacked him,
shot at him, and harassed him severely,
²⁴ yet his bow remained unmoved;
his arms were made agile
by the hands of the Mighty One of Jacob
(from there is the Shepherd, the Stone of Israel),
²⁵ by the God of your father who will help you,
by the Almighty who will bless you
with blessings of heaven above,
blessings of the deep that crouches beneath,
blessings of the breasts and of the womb.
²⁶ The blessings of your father
are mighty beyond the blessings of my parents,
up to the bounties of the everlasting hills.
May they be on the head of Joseph,
and on the brow of him who was set apart from his brothers.
²⁷ “Benjamin is a ravenous wolf,
in the morning devouring the prey
and at evening dividing the spoil.”

Sermon

“The Future State, Part 2”

Pastor Bell

We respond to God's grace

Hymn No. 605

All the Way My Savior Leads Me

Lowry

All the way my Savior leads me; what have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt his tender mercy, who through life has been my guide?
Heav'nly peace, divinest comfort, here by faith in him to dwell;
For I know what'er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well.

All the way my Savior leads me, cheers each winding path I tread,
Gives me grace for ev'ry trial, feeds me with the living bread.
Though my weary steps may falter, and my soul athirst may be,
Gushing from the rock before me, lo, a spring of joy I see.

All the way my Savior leads me—O the fullness of his love!
Perfect rest to me is promised in my Father's house above:
When my spirit, clothed, immortal, wings its flight to realms of day,
This my song through endless ages: Jesus led me all the way.

Benediction

Postlude
