

# The Lord's Service

## September 29, 2019

*\*Standing together is our ordinary practice,  
but you are welcome to remain seated.*

Prelude

Alayne Griffin and Evangeline Wykoff

\*Song of Praise and Greeting

*How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

How deep the Father's love for us,  
How vast beyond all measure;  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss,  
The Father turns His face away;  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross,  
My sin upon His shoulders;  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished;  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,  
No gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom;  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,  
His death, and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward?  
I cannot give an answer.  
But this I know with all my heart:  
His wounds have paid my ransom.

(1995 Thankyou Music)

Welcome and Announcements

# God Calls Us

*In silent meditation, let us prepare to meet God in worship.*

## \*Call to Worship

1 Chronicles 16.8-11

LEADER: Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples!

PEOPLE: **Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all  
his wondrous works!**

LEADER: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those  
who seek the Lord rejoice!

PEOPLE: **Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his  
presence continually!**

## \*Hymn

No. 521

*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

## \*Invocation

Elder Dee Hobbs

# God Cleanses Us

## Call to Confession

Ephesians 5.15-17

LEADER: Look carefully then how you walk, not as  
unwise but as wise, making the best use of  
the time, because the days are evil.

PEOPLE: **Therefore do not be foolish, but  
understand what the will of the Lord is.**

*Whether seated or kneeling,  
let us approach the Lord together with a posture of reverence.*

## Call to Worship

We are called into worship  
by God Himself. He sets the  
terms for worship because  
He makes worship possible  
through Jesus Christ.

## Invocation

This prayer addresses God  
in three persons, asking  
Him to be present with us  
in worship to help us  
worship Him according to  
His will.

## Call to Confession

As we see God in His  
invitation and our praise,  
we cannot help but see how  
we have fallen short of **His  
glory**. God's Holy Scripture  
has the authority to reveal  
us to ourselves and  
transition our hearts to  
confession.

**Corporate  
Confession of Sin**

We sin in thought, word,  
and deed every week. Our  
prayer includes time not  
only for individual silent  
confession, but also  
confession that unites our  
voices as a body of people  
equally and desperately in  
need of God's grace.

**Assurance of Pardon**

God's Holy Scripture  
reminds us not only of who  
we are as sinners, but also  
assures us of who we are as  
Christians united to Jesus in  
His death and resurrection.

**Corporate Confession of Sin (in unison)**

**Heavenly Father,  
You have loved us with an everlasting love,  
but we have often gone our own way  
and rejected Your will for our lives.  
We are sorry for our sins  
and turn away from them.  
For the sake of Your Son who died for us,  
forgive us, cleanse us, and change us.  
By Your Holy Spirit  
enable us to live for You  
and to please You in every way,  
for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Psalm 33.20-22**

**LEADER:** Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:  
“Our soul waits for the Lord, he is our help  
and our shield. For our heart is glad in him,  
because we trust in his holy name. Let your  
steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we  
hope in you.”

The peace of the Lord be with you!

**PEOPLE:** And also with you!

**\*Hymn**

**No. 468**

*My Faith Has Found a Resting Place*

# God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Elder Nick Lazor

Deuteronomy 30.1-10 (p. 172)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Choral Worship

*Be Thou My Vision*

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
Be all else but naught to me, save that Thou art;  
Be Thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
Both waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, be Thou my true word,  
Be Thou ever with me, and I with Thee, Lord;  
Be Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;  
Be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;  
Be Thou my whole armour, be Thou my true might;  
Be Thou my soul's shelter, be Thou my strong tower;  
O raise Thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;  
Be Thou mine inheritance now and always;  
Be Thou and Thou only the first in my heart;  
O Sov'reign of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright Sun,  
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won;  
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be Thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

(Rutter 1989 Oxford University Press)

\*Doxology

*God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory*

God of glory, power, mercy, all creation praises Thee;  
We, Thy creatures, would adore Thee now and through eternity.  
Saved to magnify Thy goodness, grant us strength to do Thy will;  
With our acts as with our voices Thy commandments to fulfill.

## Scripture Lesson

We hear and read Holy Scripture throughout the service. This lesson, or reading, helps prepare us for the Scripture lesson that will be preached from later.

## Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The tithe is our regular, worshipful setting apart of a portion of our resources for the purpose of God, while an offering is an additional portion we return to God for His glory. Both are a display of our joyful dependence upon God rather than our money.

## Doxology

A doxology is a hymn or word of praise to God for His goodness and glory. The *Gloria Patri* is another example of a doxology.

## Prayer of the Church

We share in our health and sickness, happiness and sorrow, assurance and doubt, as we bring our prayers to God, together. Holy Scripture commands pastors to pray with and for God's people, not just in corporate worship, but privately, as well.

### Scripture Lesson

We hear and read Holy Scripture throughout the service, but this lesson, or reading, prepares us for the sermon text.

### Sermon

A preacher is commanded to faithfully steward God's Holy Scripture by submitting to it, studying it, and expositing it (holding it forth), bearing witness to Jesus, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

### Confession of Faith

By confessing our faith together using statements believed by Christians over the ages, we join in the sweep of Christian history even as we await the return of Jesus.

\*Prayer of the Church

Pastor Mullinax

\*Hymn

No. 453

*All Authority and Power*

Scripture Lesson

Romans 10.5-13 (p. 946)

Sermon

Pastor Jones

**RIGHTEOUS BY FAITH**

\*Hymn

No. 679

*'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

\*Confession of Faith (in unison)

Westminster Confession of Faith, 12.1

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

**All who are justified, God graciously guarantees to make partakers of the grace of adoption in and for His only Son, Jesus Christ. By this act they are taken into the number of God's children and enjoy the liberties and privileges of that relationship; they are given His name; they receive the Spirit of adoption; they have access to the throne of grace with boldness; and they are enabled to cry, "Abba, Father." Like a father, God has compassion on, protects, provides for, and chastens them; yet, they will never be cast off, but are sealed to the day of redemption, and will inherit the promises as heirs of everlasting salvation.**

\*Gloria Patri

No. 735

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, amen.

## God Commissions Us

\*Benediction

Pastor Jones

Postlude

Evangeline Wykoff and Alayne Griffin

### **Benediction**

Just as God calls us to worship at the beginning of the service with Holy Scripture, He sends us into our week with a Holy Scripture reminder (*a good word*) of the blessing of Christ, by God's grace, through the indwelling Spirit.