

The Lord's Service

February 2, 2020

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

Prelude

Alayne Griffin and Evangeline Wykoff

*Song of Praise and Greeting

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend;
Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men?
Oh, You rescue the souls of men.

Chorus:

You are the One that we praise; You are the One we adore.
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for.
Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace;
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way,
Oh, we hopelessly lost the way. (Chorus)

Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own;
Here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne,
Oh, we're falling before Your throne. (Chorus)

(1989 Word Music)

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us

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

*Call to Worship

Psalm 113.1-4

LEADER: Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!

PEOPLE: **Blessed be the name of the Lord from this
time forth and forevermore!**

LEADER: From the rising of the sun to its setting, the
name of the Lord is to be praised!

PEOPLE: **The Lord is high above all the nations, and
his glory above the heavens!**

*Hymn

No. 660

O God beyond All Praising

*Invocation

Elder Woody Brauer

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Psalm 25.11

LEADER: For your name's sake, O Lord,

PEOPLE: **Pardon my guilt, for it is great.**

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

Corporate Confession of Sin (in unison)

**Almighty, eternal God and Father,
we confess and acknowledge unto You
that we were conceived in unrighteousness
and are full of sin and transgression in all our life.
We do not fully believe Your Word
nor follow Your holy commandments.**

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.

**Remember Your goodness, we beseech You,
and for Your Name's sake be gracious unto us,
and forgive us our iniquity which truly is great.
Amen.**

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.

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 43.1-3

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:

“But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: “Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you.”

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: **And also with you!**

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.

*Hymn

No. 305

Arise, My Soul, Arise

God Consecrates Us

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.

Scripture Lesson

Elder Todd Gaither

Deuteronomy 32.35-39 (p. 175)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Choral Worship

One Thing

One thing alone, one thing I ask from the Lord;
That I may gaze, upon the beauty of the Lord.

The Lord is my salvation; He will keep me safe,
In the day of trouble, I will seek His face.
In the shelter of His dwelling, I will hide.

One thing, one thing alone. One thing I seek, of the Lord.
That I may dwell within His house, forevermore.
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*Doxology

No. 731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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

Pastor Mullinax

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.

*Hymn

Holy Spirit

1. Ho - ly Spir - it, liv - ing Breath of God, breathe new life in - to my will - ing soul. _____
 2. Ho - ly Spi - rit, come a - bide with - in, may Your joy be seen in all I do. _____
 3. Ho - ly Spi - rit, from cre - a - tion's birth, giv - ing life to all that God has made, _____

Let the pres - ence of the ris - en Lord come re - new my heart and make me whole.
 Love e - nough to co - ver ev - 'ry sin, in each thought and deed and at - ti - tude.
 show Your pow - er once a - gain on earth, cause Your Church to hun - ger for Your ways.

Cause Your Word to come a - live in me; give me faith for what I can - not see,
 Kind - ness to the great - est and the least, gen - tle - ness that sows the path of peace.
 Let the fra - grance of our pray'rs a - rise; Lead us on the road of sac - ri - fice,

give me pas - sion for Your pu - ri - ty; Ho - ly Spir - it breathe new life in me.
 Turn my striv - ings in - to works of grace; Breath of God show Christ in all I do.
 that in u - ni - ty the face of Christ may be clear for all the world to see.

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.

[†] "catholic" -- universal

Scripture Lesson

Romans 12.14-21 (p. 948)

Sermon

Pastor Jones

LIFE IN THE EXTRAORDINARY

*Hymn

No. 529

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

*Confession of Faith (in unison)

Apostles' Creed

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell.**

The third day He rose again from the dead.

**He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of
God the Father Almighty.**

**From there He will come to judge the
living and the dead.**

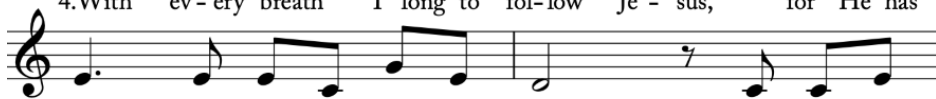
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic[†] church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Distribution Hymn

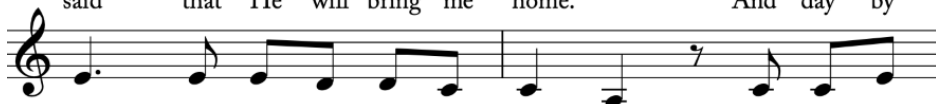
Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me



1. What gift of grace is Je - sus, my Re - deem - er. There is no
 2. The night is dark, but I am not for - sak - en, for by my
 3. No fate I dread, I know I am for - giv - en, the fu - ture
 4. With ev - ery breath I long to fol - low Je - sus, for He has



more for hea - ven now to give. He is my
 side the Sav - ior, He will stay. I la - bor
 sure, the price, it has been paid. For Je - sus
 said that He will bring me home. And day by



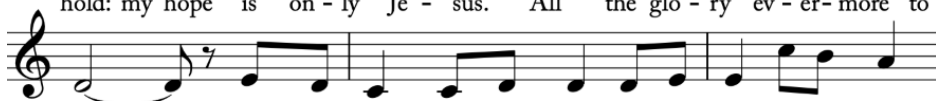
joy, my right - eous - ness and free - dom, my stead - fast
 on in weak - ness and re - joic - ing, for in my
 bled and suf - fered for my par - don, and He was
 day I know He will re - new me un - til I



love, my deep and bound - less peace. To this I
 need, His pow - er is dis - played. To this I
 raised to o - ver - throw the grave. To this I
 stand with joy be - fore the throne. To this I



hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus. For my life is whol - ly bound to
 hold: my shep - herd will de fend me. Through the deep - est val - ley He will
 hold: my sin has been de - feat - ed. Je - sus now, and ev - er is my
 hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus. All the glo - ry ev - er - more to



His. Oh how strange and di - vine, I can sing: all is mine!
 lead. Oh the night has been won, and I shall o - ver - come!
 plea. Oh the chains are re - leased, I can sing: I am free!
 Him. *When the race is com - plete, still my lips shall re - peat:



Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

Amazing Grace! (vs. 1-3, 6)

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.

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.

God Commissions Us

*Benediction

Pastor Mullinax

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.