15th Sunday after Pentecost September 10, 2023

Gathering God invites us to enter His presence

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship (Time for Silent Preparation)

Call to Worship (Responsively)

Dennis Lesher

We will give thanks to you, O LORD, with our whole heart; we will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

We will be glad and exult in you;
we will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

—from Psalm 9:1-2, NRSV

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Invocation

Dennis Lesher

You, O God, are mighty forever. You cause the wind to blow and the rain to fall. You sustain the living, give life to the dead, support the falling, loose those who are bound, and keep your faith with those who sleep in the dust. Who is like you, O God of mighty acts? Praise be to you forever. **Amen.**

Y Hymn 3 Praise, My Soul the King of Heaven

Confessing God invites us to be honest with Him

Call to Confession

Dennis Lesher

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners, Christ died for us. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Trusting in God's faithfulness and compassion, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Dennis Lesher

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight,

so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.

You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me

Do not cast me from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon (Responsively)

Dennis Lesher

God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Leader: This is the Promise of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

Gloria Patri

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. A-men, A-men.

Offering

Thankful of the gifts God has given us, we offer ourselves to Him

Invitation

The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly; the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Responding to God's bountiful gifts to us in Christ, we have opportunity to share out of our abundance.

Offering

Offertory

Save My Life Greg Maurer Sidewalk Prophets



Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.

Prayer of Dedication

Lord God, we bless you for all your many gifts to us. We return these gifts as a token of our gratitude, longing for the conviction and strength to offer our whole lives to your service. We pray especially today for your blessing on these offerings. Grant wisdom and discernment to be good stewards of these gifts. Through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Praise Song Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

Verse 1
Praise is rising; eyes are turning to You;
We turn to You.
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You;
We long for You.

Pre-Chorus

'Cause when we see You, we find strength to find the day. In Your presence all our fears are washed away, Washed away.

Chorus

Hosanna, Hosanna, You are the God who saves us, Worthy of all our praises. Hosanna, Hosanna, Come have Your way among us, We welcome You here. Lord Jesus.

Verse 2
Hear the sound of hearts turning to You,
We turn to You.
In Your Kingdom, broken lives are made new;
You make us new.

Pre-Chorus Chorus Pre-Chorus Chorus Tag – Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna!

<u>Proclaiming</u> God speaks to us through His Word

Children's Sermon The Gos-Pill of Jesus Christ Dan Baker

Scripture Reading Galatians 1:6-10

⁶ I am amazed that you are so quickly turning away from him who called you by the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel— ⁷ not that there is another gospel, but there are some who are troubling you and want to distort the gospel of Christ. ⁸ But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to what we have preached to you, a curse be on him! ⁹ As we have said before, I now say again: If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to what you received, a curse be on him!

¹⁰ For am I now trying to persuade people, or God? Or am I striving to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ.

Sermon

"No Other Gospel" Rev. Tim Latham

Praise Song

In Christ Alone

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 its 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 schemes 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!

Responding We respond to God's Word

Profession of Faith (Psalm 23)

The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Prayers of the People

<u>Commissioning</u> God sends us out into the world as His witnesses

Hymn 292 God of Grace and God of Glory

Benediction & Blessing

Postlude

Today's prayer partners are Bonnie Mecaughey & Dennis Lesher