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**prelude**

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*We Praise Thee O God Our Redeemer  
At the Cross  
Praise to the Lord the Almighty  
All Creatures of Our God and King*

– Arranged by Cindy Berry

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**preparing our hearts**

And the angel said to those who were standing before him, “Remove the filthy garments from him.”  
And to him he said, “Behold, I have taken your iniquity away from you, and I will clothe you with pure vestments.”

– Zechariah 3:4 ESV

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**\*\* call to worship**

*Leader:* Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

**All:** For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.

*Leader:* Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,

**All:** Even as we hope in you.

–Psalm 33:20–22 ESV

## ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all;  
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all!

You chosen seed of Israel's race, you ransomed from the fall,  
Hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all;  
Hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball,  
To him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all;  
To him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall;  
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all;  
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all!

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*Leader:* Father, you have searched us and known us. You know our coming and our going, and you know our inward thoughts. We cannot hide from you, and therefore we can only come as we are – unworthy and unacceptable because of sin, but welcomed through Christ Jesus, who offered himself for our sake. We therefore come and worship you in his name and by your Spirit according to your gracious will. Amen.

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
And born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again 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.**

\* Here, "catholic" means "universal," and refers to the Christian church in all places

## THY MERCY, MY GOD

Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song, the joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue;  
Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last, hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast.

Without thy sweet mercy I could not live here; sin would reduce me to utter despair;  
But, through thy free goodness, my spirits revive, and he that first made me still keeps me alive.

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart, which wonders to feel its own hardness depart;  
Dissolved by thy goodness, I fall to the ground, and weep to the praise of the mercy I've found.

Great Father of mercies, thy goodness I own, and the covenant love of thy crucified Son;  
All praise to the Spirit, whose whisper divine seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.

*End:*

All praise to the Spirit, whose whisper divine seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.

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## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Leader:* 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!

– Psalm 51:1-2 ESV

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**All:** **Holy God, be gracious to sinners such as us.**  
**Forgive us not only that we sin,**  
**But that we do not hate it as we should.**  
**We have not been vigilant against temptation,**  
**So we have let hidden sins and inward attitudes**  
**Erode godly affection and obedience.**  
**Convict us by your Spirit**  
**To love what you love and hate what you hate.**  
**Because in Christ we are new creations,**  
**Breathe your desires into our hearts**  
**And shape our life and conduct after your Son.**  
**Grant these mercies in the name of Jesus Christ,**  
**Who with you and the Holy Spirit, reigns over us.**  
**Amen.**

*Please reflect and silently confess your sins.*

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE \*\*

*Leader:* If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

– Romans 8:11 ESV

**All:** **Thanks be to God!**

ARISE, MY SOUL, ARISE

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears; the bleeding sacrifice on my behalf appears.  
Before the throne my surety stands, before the throne my surety stands;  
My name is written on his hands. \*

*\* Chorus:*

Arise (arise), arise (arise), Arise, arise my soul, arise.  
Arise (arise), arise (arise), Arise, arise my soul, arise.  
Shake off your guilty fears and rise.

He ever lives above, for me to intercede; his all-redeeming love, his precious blood to plead.  
His blood atoned for every race, his blood atoned for every race,  
And sprinkles now the throne of grace. \*

Five bleeding wounds he bears, received on Calvary;  
They pour effectual prayers; they strongly plead for me.  
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry, “Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry;  
“Let not that ransomed sinner die!” \*

My God is reconciled; his pardoning voice I hear.  
He owns me for his child; I can no longer fear.  
With confidence I now draw nigh, with confidence I now draw nigh,  
And “Father, Abba Father,” cry. \*

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*Leader:* Matthew 15:10-20  
This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

*An officer of the church prays for the world, nation, community, and church.*

*Leader:* All these mercies we ask in the name of Jesus, who prayed saying,

**All: Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be your name;  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors,  
Do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, Amen.**

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**\*\* passing the peace**

*Leader:* Jesus said, “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.” In a world filled with trouble, let us encourage one another to look to the one who has overcome the world. May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

While your children are welcome and encouraged to worship with you, at this time they can be dismissed for an age-appropriate worship for ages 3–K.

If you would like to hear more about CPC or would like to let us know of a prayer need, please include your contact information or prayer request in the welcome pad when it comes around to you.

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**sermon**

**Series** | “Joshua: Promise. Faith. Courage.”

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**Sermon** | “Why Your Disobedience Matters”

**August 12, 2018**

**Joshua 7** ESV | 1 But the people of Israel broke faith in regard to the devoted things, for Achan the son of Carmi, son of Zabdi, son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, took some of the devoted things. And the anger of the Lord burned against the people of Israel.

2 Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, which is near Beth-aven, east of Bethel, and said to them, “Go up and spy out the land.” And the men went up and spied out Ai. 3 And they returned to Joshua and said to him, “Do not have all the people go up, but let about two or three thousand men go up and

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attack Ai. Do not make the whole people toil up there, for they are few.” 4 So about three thousand men went up there from the people. And they fled before the men of Ai, 5 and the men of Ai killed about thirty-six of their men and chased them before the gate as far as Shebarim and struck them at the descent. And the hearts of the people melted and became as water.

6 Then Joshua tore his clothes and fell to the earth on his face before the ark of the Lord until the evening, he and the elders of Israel. And they put dust on their heads. 7 And Joshua said, “Alas, O Lord God, why have you brought this people over the Jordan at all, to give us into the hands of the Amorites, to destroy us? Would that we had been content to dwell beyond the Jordan! 8 O Lord, what can I say, when Israel has turned their backs before their enemies! 9 For the Canaanites and all the inhabitants of the land will hear of it and will surround us and cut off our name from the earth. And what will you do for your great name?”

10 The Lord said to Joshua, “Get up! Why have you fallen on your face? 11 Israel has sinned; they have transgressed my covenant that I commanded them; they have taken some of the devoted things; they have stolen and lied and put them among their own belongings. 12 Therefore the people of Israel cannot stand before their enemies. They turn their backs before their enemies, because they have become devoted for destruction. I will be with you no more, unless you destroy the devoted things from among you. 13 Get up! Consecrate the people and say, ‘Consecrate yourselves for tomorrow; for thus says the Lord, God of Israel, “There are devoted things in your midst, O Israel. You cannot stand before your enemies until you take away the devoted things from among you.” 14 In the morning therefore you shall be brought near by your tribes. And the tribe that the Lord takes by lot shall come near by clans. And the clan that the Lord takes shall come near by households. And the household that the Lord takes shall come near man by man. 15 And he who is taken with the devoted things shall be burned with fire, he and all that he has, because he has transgressed the covenant of the Lord, and because he has done an outrageous thing in Israel.’”

16 So Joshua rose early in the morning and brought Israel near tribe by tribe, and the tribe of Judah was taken. 17 And he brought near the clans of Judah, and the clan of the Zerahites was taken. And he brought near the clan of the Zerahites man by man, and Zabdi was taken. 18 And he brought near his household man by man, and Achan the son of Carmi, son of Zabdi, son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, was taken. 19 Then Joshua said to Achan, “My son, give glory to the Lord God of Israel and give praise to him. And tell me now what you have done; do not hide it from me.” 20 And Achan answered Joshua, “Truly I have sinned against the Lord God of Israel, and this is what I did: 21 when I saw among the spoil a beautiful cloak from Shinar, and 200 shekels of silver, and a bar of gold weighing 50 shekels, then I coveted them and took them. And see, they are hidden in the earth inside my tent, with the silver underneath.”

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22 So Joshua sent messengers, and they ran to the tent; and behold, it was hidden in his tent with the silver underneath. 23 And they took them out of the tent and brought them to Joshua and to all the people of Israel. And they laid them down before the Lord. 24 And Joshua and all Israel with him took Achan the son of Zerah, and the silver and the cloak and the bar of gold, and his sons and daughters and his oxen and donkeys and sheep and his tent and all that he had. And they brought them up to the Valley of Achor. 25 And Joshua said, “Why did you bring trouble on us? The Lord brings trouble on you today.” And all Israel stoned him with stones. They burned them with fire and stoned them with stones. 26 And they raised over him a great heap of stones that remains to this day. Then the Lord turned from his burning anger. Therefore, to this day the name of that place is called the Valley of Achor.

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## sermon notes

1. How Disobedience Defiles
2. Whom Disobedience Defiles
3. How to Become Pure

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## \*\* the gospel charge

*Leader:* In light of the Word we have heard, how ought we live?

**All:** Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end.

– Hebrews 3:12-14 ESV

## WELCOME TO HIS TABLE

*The Lord's Supper is a family meal for Christians – a time when we delight in Christ and in the good news that His work alone has made us right with God. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior, belong to a church that embraces the gospel, and seek strength to live more faithfully to Christ are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, please use this time to meditate on the following prayer.*

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Please remain seated for communion. As a symbol of our unity in Christ, wait until everyone has been served the elements, and we will all partake together. Once you are finished with your cup, please pass it to the inside aisles and the ushers will retrieve them.*

*If you have a gluten allergy, there are gluten-free wafers available in the center of the bread trays. During the celebration of communion, we will sing the printed hymns.*

**NOTE TO PARENTS:** *To receive communion, a child must have been baptized, publicly professed their faith in Christ, and been formally received as a communing member by the elders of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. We look forward to welcoming your children to the table when they come to this point and ask that you speak to the pastor when you feel your child is ready to begin the process of becoming a communing member.*

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## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, “Take; this is my body.” And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. And he said to them, “This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many.”

– Mark 14:22-24<sup>ESV</sup>

*Minister:* Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Minister:* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Minister:* It is very good and right, our duty and privilege, to at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, Creator of heaven and earth.

Hear us then, as we pray.

**All: Father, we give you thanks for your Son, Jesus Christ, for his willing obedience and suffering during his life on earth, and for his sacrifice of his body and blood on the cross. As we partake of these, your gifts of the bread and the cup, give us assurance that we are made whole by his body and our sins are pardoned through his blood. Fill our minds with your peace and turn our eyes to heaven, where Christ is at your right hand interceding for us. Enable us to offer up ourselves in service to Christ and unite us with each other through your Spirit so that we may continue in the living hope of our Savior’s coming in glory. Hear us now through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Minister:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## NOTHING BUT THE BLOOD

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. \*

*\* Chorus:*

O, precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Nothing can for sin atone, nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
Naught of good that I have done, nothing but the blood of Jesus. \*

This is all my hope and peace: nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
This is all my righteousness: nothing but the blood of Jesus. \*

Now by this I'll overcome, nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
Now by this I'll reach my home, nothing but the blood of Jesus. \*

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## LET US LOVE AND SING AND WONDER

Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Savior's name  
He has hushed the law's loud thunder, he has quenched Mount Sinai's flame  
He has washed us with his blood, he has washed us with his blood  
He has washed us with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God

Let us love the Lord who bought us, pitied us when enemies  
Called us by his grace and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes  
He has washed us with his blood, he has washed us with his blood  
He has washed us with his blood, he presents our souls to God

Let us sing though fierce temptation, threatens hard to bear us down  
For the Lord, our strong salvation, holds in view the conqueror's crown  
He who washed us with his blood, he who washed us with his blood,  
He who washed us with his blood, soon will bring us home to God

Let us wonder grace and justice, join and point to mercy's store  
When through grace in Christ our trust is, justice smiles and asks no more  
He who washed us with his blood, he who washed us with his blood  
He who washed us with his blood has secured our way to God

Let us praise and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high  
Here they trusted him before us, now their praises fill the sky  
Thou hast washed us with thy blood, thou hast washed us with thy blood  
Thou hast washed us with thy blood, thou art worthy Lamb of God

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MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS

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. \*

*\* Chorus:*

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand.

All other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on his unchanging grace.  
In every rough 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 gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. \*

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

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**announcements**

*Please note the announcements found on Pages 17-20 of your bulletin.*

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**\*\* benediction**