
Sunday AM, 11/18/2018

*** PREPARING FOR WORSHIP ***

Reflection:

The Lord is My Shepherd

(Ps 23)

Help us O Lord our home to make, thy Holy Spirit's dwelling place; Our hand and hearts
devotions takes, to be the servants of thy grace.

~ A.F. Bayley

A happy family is but an earlier heaven.

~ John Bowring

Gathering:

We Come O Christ to You

(Jh 14:6)

Greeting:

Apostles Creed (1Pe 1:1-3)

I believe in God the Father
maker of all heav'n and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, our Savior,
God's own son of matchless worth;

By the Spirit was conceived
of the virgin Mary born,
He in whom I have believed;
God Almighty three in one.

Suffered under Pontias Pilate,
crucified, for me he died.
Laid within the grave so silent,
gates of hell he opened wide;

For the stonesealed tomb was empty;
on the third day he arose
Into heaven made his entry
mighty conqueror of his foes.

At God's right hand he is seated,
till his coming, as he said;
Final judgment will be meted
to the living and the dead;

I confess the Holy Spirit,
who was sent through Christ the Son
To apply salvations merit:
God, the Spirit Three in One.

I believe the church of Jesus,
universal e'er remains;
We are one through all the ages
in communion of the saints.

I believe sins are forgiven,
that our bodies will be raised
To eternal life in glory,
ever let his name be praised.

*** WORSHIP BY THE WORD ***

Call to worship:

(Ps 47:1, 2, 6)

Elder: Come, everyone! Clap your hands! Shout to God with joyful praise!

Congregation: For the Lord Most High is awesome. He is the great King of all the earth.

All: Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises! Amen!

Hymn:

The Church's One Foundation (Eph 2:20)

The Church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation
by water and the Word:
From heav'n He came and sought
her to be His holy bride:
With His own blood He bought her,
and for her life He died.

Elect from ev'ry nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder
men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping,
their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.

The church shall never perish!
Her dear Lord to defend,
To guide, sustain, and cherish,
is with her to the end;
Though there be those that hate her,
and false sons in her pale,
Against a foe or traitor
she ever shall prevail.

Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
of peace forever more;
Till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest
And the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

Hear my words, O gracious Lord,
To my thoughts attentive be;
Hear my cry, my King, my God,
I will make my prayer to Thee.

With the morning light, O Lord,
Thou shalt hear my voice arise,
And expectant I will bring
Prayer as morning sacrifice.

Thou art holy, O my God,
Thou delightest not in sin;
Evil shall not dwell with Thee,
Nor the proud Thy favor win.

In the fullness of Thy grace
To Thy house I will repair;
Bowing toward Thy holy place,
Lost in love I worship there.

Prayer for worship:

(Isa 44:21-23)

(Prayer)

Scriptures:

(Pro 1:24-33; Eph 6:1-3)

(Pro 1:24-27) 24 Because I have called and you refused to listen, have stretched out my hand and no one has heeded, 25 because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, 26 I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when terror strikes you, 27 when terror strikes you like a storm and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you.

(Pro 1:28-31) 28 Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently but will not find me. 29 Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD, 30 would have none of my counsel and despised all my reproof, 31 therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way, and have their fill of their own devices.

(Pro 1:32-33) 32 For the simple are killed by their turning away, and the complacency of fools destroys them; 33 but whoever listens to me will dwell secure and will be at ease, without dread of disaster."

(Eph 6:1-3) 1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 2 "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), 3 "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land."

Prayer for belief: (Gn 6:8)
(Prayer)

Sermon: (Eph 6:1-3)
Focus: Why are our parents means of grace?

Prayer for congregation: (Jas 5:16)
(Prayer)

Song of thanks: *Give Thanks (Ps 9)*

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ, His Son.
And now let the weak say
"I am strong,"
Let the poor say "I am rich
because of what the Lord has done for us."

*** WORSHIP AT THE TABLE***

Profession of Faith: The Holy Spirit's Work (WSC 29-31)

Elder: How are we made to take part in the redemption Christ bought?

Congregation: We take part in the redemption Christ bought when the Holy Spirit effectively applies it to us.

Elder: How does the Holy Spirit apply to us the redemption Christ bought?

Congregation: The Spirit applies to us the redemption Christ bought by producing faith in us and so uniting us to Christ in our effective calling.

Elder: What is effective calling?

Congregation: Effective calling is the work of God's Spirit, Who convinces us that we are sinful and miserable,
Who enlightens our minds in the knowledge of Christ, and Who renews our wills. This is how He persuades and makes us able to received Jesus Christ, Who is freely offered to us in the gospel.

Confession of sin: (Dan 9:5-11)

Elder: God, we still sin and do what's wrong. We still rebel against You, scorning Your commands and regulations.

Congregation: We refuse to listen to the plain teaching of Your word. You are right to call this our shame.

All: But You Lord, our God, You are merciful and forgiving, even though we have rebelled against You. In Jesus, forgive us. Amen.

Assurance: (Dan 9:17-23)

(Hear God's Assurance)

Words of Promise: (Mk 14:22-25)

(Hear God's Promise)

Prayer for Communion: (Isa 50:6)

(Prayer)

Hymn: *When I Fear My Faith Will Fail (Ps 139:10)*

When I fear my faith will fail
Christ will hold me fast.
When the tempter would prevail
He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path.
For my love is often cold;
He must hold me fast.

(Chorus)

He will hold me fast,
He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so;
He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight;
Christ will hold me fast.
Precious in His holy sight;
He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost,
His promises shall last.
Bought by Him at such a cost,
He will hold me fast.

(Chorus)

He will hold me fast,
He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so;
He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died;
Christ will hold me fast.
Justice has been satisfied;
He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life;
He will hold me fast.
Till our faith is turned to sight
When he comes at last.

(Chorus 2x)

He will hold me fast,
He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so;
He will hold me fast.

Hymn:

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross? (Gal 6:14)

When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of Glory died
My richest gain I count as loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it Lord, that I should boast
save in the death of Christ my God.
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown.

Were all the realms of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Prayer of Thanks:

(Heb 12:1-3)

Prayer

Benediction:

(Eph 6:3)

(Hear God's Blessing)