

Sunday Worship
January 13, 2019

We welcome you to worship.

Meditation in Preparation for Worship

*“Christians’ relationships with each other constitute
the criterion the world uses to judge whether their message is truthful.”*
(Francis Schaeffer)

Prelude/Introit

Piano Improvisation and Hymn

Welcome

Ringing of the Bell

Call to Worship (Psalm 145:1-2)

Responsively

Leader: “I will lift you up high, my God, the true king.

Congregation: I will bless your name forever and always.

Leader: I will bless you every day.

Congregation: I will praise your name forever and always.”

***Hymn of Praise No. 142**

Coronation

“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!

Ye chosen seed of Israel’s race, ye 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!”

***Opening Prayer**

First Scripture Reading (p. 763)

Psalm 119:105-112

Your word is a lamp before my feet and a light for my journey. I have sworn, and I fully mean it: I will keep your righteous rules. I have been suffering so much—Lord, make me live again according to your promise. Please, Lord, accept my spontaneous gifts of praise. Teach me your rules! Though my life is constantly in danger, I won’t forget your Instruction. Though the wicked have set a trap for me, I won’t stray from your precepts. Your laws are my possession forever because they are my heart’s joy. I have decided to keep your statutes forever, every last one.

Time with the Children (11 a.m.)

Gathering Song: "This Is the Day That the Lord Has Made"

"This is the day, this is the day,
That the Lord has made, that the Lord has made.
I will rejoice, I will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it.
This is the day that the Lord has made,
I will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day, that the Lord has made."

Going Song: "Jesus Loves Me"

"Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to him belong; they are weak but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so."

*Children 3-years-old through Kindergarten are excused for Bible Bunch (Bible Bunch Rm)
Children in grades 1 through 5 are excused for Sunday School (Sunday School Rm)*

Commissioning of New Members

Presentation

9 a.m.: Anita Briggs, Suzanne Emery, Jeff McQuillian, Lynne McQuillian Gayle, Joyce Stabo, George Stevenson, Vickie Stevenson, and Anne Sturgis

11 a.m.: Liz Holda, John Hodson, Evelyn Hodson, Jack Reno, and Suzanne Reno

Covenant Questions and Promises

To the new members: Who is your Lord and Savior?

Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

Will you, as a believer in Jesus Christ and as a member of this church, act out your faith in the world, in your work and in your family?

I will.

Do you covenant to be an active member of this church through your life in the world and support of this church?

I do.

To the congregation: As a congregation, will you support these new members with your encouragement and your prayers, as together we seek to call upon and praise God?

We will, God being our help. May God give us all grace to share ministry together that Christ may be glorified in this place.

Charge by the Pastor

Welcoming Prayer

Hymn of Welcome

"Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above."

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

"Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen."

The Ministry of The Church

(Please sign and pass the red friendship book.)

Offering . . . *"Freely we have received, freely let us give."*

Offertory Anthem

"Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus"

Dan Forrest

"Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow his example pure.

Through a world that would deceive us, where to sin our hearts are lured.

Ever in his footsteps treading, living here, yet home above, full of faith and hope and love.

Let us do the Father's bidding, faithful Lord, abide with me, savior, lead, I follow thee.

Let us also die with Jesus, by his cross he conquered death,
Freed us from our souls' destruction, quickened us with life's new breath.

Let us mortify, while living, self and pride, and die to sin.

And the grave that shuts us in shall prove the gate to heaven.

Jesus, here I die to thee, there to dwell eternally.

Let us gladly live with Jesus, he is risen from the dead.

Death is swallowed up in victory, Jesus, thou art now our head.

Living members of thy body, where thou livest, we shall be,

Thou wilt keep us constantly, even so, dear Lord, come quickly, Jesus, here I live to thee.

There to dwell eternally. Let us ever walk with Jesus."

***Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

"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."

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

Special Music

"As the Lyre to the Singer"

Steven Rickards

"As the lyre to the singer, as one's thoughts to spoken word,
As the rose to fragrant odor, so to me is Christ our Lord.

As the mother to the baby, as the traveler to his guide,
As the lake to streaming rainfall, stands the savior by my side.

As the sun to gladdening day spring, as the oil is to the flame,
As the fish is to the water, so to me is his sweet name.

Bound to him and by him holden, as the flute and breath accord,
His for now, for now and his forever, is my soul to Christ the Lord.”

Second Scripture Reading (p. 1399)

1 Corinthians 13

If I speak in tongues of human beings and of angels but I don't have love, I'm a clanging gong or a clashing cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and I know all the mysteries and everything else, and if I have such complete faith that I can move mountains but I don't have love, I'm nothing. If I give away everything that I have and hand over my own body to feel good about what I've done but I don't have love, I receive no benefit whatsoever. Love is patient, love is kind, it isn't jealous, it doesn't brag, it isn't arrogant, it isn't rude, it doesn't seek its own advantage, it isn't irritable, it doesn't keep a record of complaints, it isn't happy with injustice, but it is happy with the truth. Love puts up with all things, trusts in all things, hopes for all things, endures all things. Love never fails. As for prophecies, they will be brought to an end. As for tongues, they will stop. As for knowledge, it will be brought to an end. We know in part and we prophesy in part; but when the perfect comes, what is partial will be brought to an end. When I was a child, I used to speak like a child, reason like a child, think like a child. But now that I have become a man, I've put an end to childish things. Now we see a reflection in a mirror; then we will see face- to- face. Now I know partially, but then I will know completely in the same way that I have been completely known. Now faith, hope, and love remain—these three things—and the greatest of these is love.

Message

“You Can Be Happy This Year”

Dr. Hood

***Hymn of Dedication No. 403**

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

Converse

“What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged: take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge—take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee, thou wilt find a solace there.”

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

“Sonata #1, Finale”

Felix Mendelssohn

*The congregation is invited to stand, if you are able.