#### **Liturgy for Corporate Worship**

The Lord's Day October 20, 2024

Prelude Chris Holmberg

Welcome and Announcements

Choir Introit

We Will Glorify

Call to Worship Philippians 2:9-11

Opening Hymn 374

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Corporate Prayer of Confession & Silent Confession

Most mighty God, from the beginning you have declared yourself a consuming fire against the violators of your most holy precepts, and yet to the penitent you have shown yourself a favorable Father and a God full of mercy. We, the workmanship of your hands, confess ourselves most unworthy to open our eyes unto the heavens: our consciences accuse us, and our many iniquities bear witness against us. Our grievous offenses have deserved not only temporal punishment, but also rejection from your presence and perpetual condemnation. For the sake of your Son, who bore our sins on Calvary's cross, and gives us his righteousness, we humbly seek that you would grant us forgiveness. Help us to live holy lives that the glory might be only yours. This we ask in the name of our risen Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hebrews 10:15-17

The Gloria Patri 572

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. Amen, amen.

**Prayer of Dedication** 

Elder Sam Winegarden

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. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem Choir O Come, Let Us Sing

**Unison Scripture Reading** 

Philippians 4:8-13

**Special Music** Anna Black Carol & Grace Holmberg

Be Still My Soul

**Pastoral Prayer** 

Sermon Hymn 321\*

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Rev. Pete Scribner Sermon

Lamentations 3:1-24

Closing Hymn 245

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

**Benediction** Numbers 6:24-26

Parting Hymn

God be with you till we meet again; By his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again. Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet; Till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

Our prayer of confession was adapted from a prayer by John Knox.

\* - Celebration Hymnal

#### **Featured Element of Worship: Great Is Thy Faithfulness**

Though this beloved hymn was written by Thomas O. Chisholm (1866-1960), its inspiration comes from a most unexpected place: The words of Jeremiah in Lamentations 3. Philip Ryken notes that the story of how Chisolm came to write his great hymn reveals a profound truth about God's faithfulness. "Some great hymns are written in response to a dramatic spiritual experience. That is not the case with Great Is Thy Faithfulness, however. It was not the product of a single experience but of a lifetime of God's faithful care. Not long before his death, Chisholm wrote, 'My income has never been large at any time due to impaired health in the earlier years which has followed me on until now. But I must not fail to record here the unfailing faithfulness of a covenant keeping God and that He has given me many wonderful displays of His providing care which have filled me with astonishing gratefulness.'

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### All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!



- 5. Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry 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.
- 6. 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.

CORONATION C.M.rep. Oliver Holden, 1793

## St. 1–5, Edward Perronet, 1779; alt.

St. 6, John Rippon, 1787

### O Come, Let Us Sing

O come, let us sing with joy to the Lord. O come, o come.

O come, let us sing with joy to the Lord.
O come, o come.

Come bow down before Him, Kneel and adore Him And praise Him with music and song.

For He is holy,
Shepherd, Creator and King.
For He is worthy.
Forever His praises I'll sing.

O come, let us sing with joy to the Lord.
O come, o come.
O come, let us sing with joy to the Lord.
O come, o come.

Come bow down before Him, Kneel and adore Him And praise Him with music and song.

Sing unto God the creator,
He made the sea and the land.
Sing unto God the Almighty.
We are the work of His hands.
We are the work of His hands.

O come, let us sing with joy to the Lord.
O come, o come.
O come, let us sing with joy to the Lord.
O come, o come.

Come bow down before Him, Kneel and adore Him And praise Him with music and song. Sing to the Lord!

### **Unison Scripture Reading: Philippians 4:8-13**

<sup>8</sup> Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup> What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

<sup>10</sup> I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. <sup>11</sup> Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. <sup>12</sup> I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. <sup>13</sup> I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Special Music

### Be Still, My Soul

Be still, my soul; the Lord is on thy side; bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.

Leave to thy God to order and provide; in every change He faithful will remain.

Be still, my soul; thy best, thy heav'nly Friend through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul; thy God doth undertake to guide the future as He has the past.

Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake; all now mysterious shall be bright at last.

Be still, my soul;

the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.

Be still, my soul; when dearest friends depart, and all is darkened in the veil of tears, then shalt thou better know His love, His heart, who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears. Be still, my soul; thy Jesus can repay from His own fullness all He takes away.

Be still, my soul; the hour is hast'ning on when we shall be forever with the Lord, when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored. Be still, my soul;

when change and tears are past, all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

Author: Kathrina von Schlegel (1752); Translator: Jane Borthwick (1855) Tune: Finlandia CCLI# 594962

# When I Survey the Wondrous Cross 321

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. Galatians 6:14



TEXT: Isaac Watts
MUSIC: Appalachian Folk melody; arranged by Michael James

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# **Lamentations 3:1-24**

- <sup>1</sup> I am the man who has seen affliction under the rod of his wrath;
- <sup>2</sup> he has driven and brought me into darkness without any light;
- <sup>3</sup> surely against me he turns his hand again and again the whole day long.
- <sup>4</sup> He has made my flesh and my skin waste away; he has broken my bones;
- <sup>5</sup> he has besieged and enveloped me with bitterness and tribulation;
- <sup>6</sup> he has made me dwell in darkness like the dead of long ago.
- <sup>7</sup> He has walled me about so that I cannot escape; he has made my chains heavy;
- <sup>8</sup> though I call and cry for help, he shuts out my prayer;
- <sup>9</sup> he has blocked my ways with blocks of stones; he has made my paths crooked.
- <sup>10</sup> He is a bear lying in wait for me, a lion in hiding;
- <sup>11</sup> he turned aside my steps and tore me to pieces; he has made me desolate;
- <sup>12</sup> he bent his bow and set me as a target for his arrow.
- <sup>13</sup> He drove into my kidneys the arrows of his quiver;
- <sup>14</sup>I have become the laughingstock of all peoples, the object of their taunts all day long.
- <sup>15</sup> He has filled me with bitterness; he has sated me with wormwood.
- <sup>16</sup> He has made my teeth grind on gravel, and made me cower in ashes;
- <sup>17</sup> my soul is bereft of peace; I have forgotten what happiness is;
- <sup>18</sup> so I say, "My endurance has perished; so has my hope from the Lord."
- <sup>19</sup> Remember my affliction and my wanderings, the wormwood and the gall!
- <sup>20</sup> My soul continually remembers it and is bowed down within me.
- <sup>21</sup> But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope:
- <sup>22</sup> The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end;
- <sup>23</sup> they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
- <sup>24</sup> "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

## **Sermon Notes**

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### **Great Is Thy Faithfulness**



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<u>WELCOME</u> to this morning's service of corporate worship!

<u>The Flowers</u> adorning our worship this morning have been provided this morning by Mark Freeman in celebration of Kim's birthday Monday, and Esma Walker, in celebration of Joe's birthday on October 26th.

<u>Fellowship Luncheon</u> - The Martha Mary Circle will be hosting a pulled pork sandwich luncheon after worship next Sunday, October 27th. There is no charge for the lunch, but donations are greatly appreciated to help support the great work that the Martha Mary Circle does on behalf of the church! There will also be a bazaar table in the Fellowship Hall.

Food Baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas are being prepared again this year by the Martha Mary Circle. Any donated non-perishable food items will be gratefully accepted, (purchased in 2024). Ideas for food may donations include: Canned meats, canned dinners, boxed meals, peanut butter & jelly, condiments, boxed Velveeta Cheese, Chunky Soups & canned vegetables, breakfast foods, turkey dinner fixings. Laundry soap and toilet tissue are also needed. Any money donated specifically to this effort will be used to purchase turkeys, hams, and other items for each family's basket. If you know of a family in need of a basket (two requests per person), there are sign-up forms on the desk in the Church Office. Thank you!

New Members Class - In addition to our regular Sunday School class, we will be holding a new members class during the Sunday School hour throughout the month of November. If you are planning on attending, please sign up in the office. If you would like more information, give Pete a call (618-795-4319).

<u>Free Resources</u> - At our free resources table (under the television in the narthex) we make various items available that might be a benefit to your Christian growth. Most importantly, if you need a Bible, please take one home with you! *Tabletalk* and *Our Daily Bread* (two devotional guides) can also be found there, as can CDs of out worship services, made available shortly following each service. Please take one or request one from a past week, either for yourself or to share it with someone.

#### This Week at Calvary

| This week at Galvary |       |  |
|----------------------|-------|--|
| Today                |       | Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome) Worship Service |
|                      | 10.00 | followed by coffee, donuts & fellowship                        |
|                      | 11:30 | Sunday School  |
| Tuesday              | 2:00  | Tuesdays at Two  |
| Thursday             | 6:30  | Choir Rehearsal  |
| Friday               |       | Office Closed  |
| Next Sunday          |       | Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome) Worship Service |

Next Sunday's Sermon Text will be **Lamentations 3:25-42**. In addition to the **Westminster Shorter Catechism Questions 89-90 & 98-99** (printed on the back of the bulletin), spend some time this week meditating on this passage as

followed by Fellowship Luncheon (NO Sunday School)

### **Church Staff**

you reflect on this week's service and look forward to our next gathering.

| Pastor            | Pete Scribner  |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Director of Music | Susan Lechota  |
| Music Minister    | Chris Holmberg |
| Custodian         | Vicky Haughey  |

Offerings are received each week in the wooden donation box in the Narthex. We have placed it there as a convenience for our members and friends. If you are visiting us this Sunday, please feel no pressure to make any donation. We are glad to have you simply be our guest today, and invite you to join us for a donut and coffee in the Fellowship Hall after worship!

# Meditation for the Week: Westminster Shorter Catechism Questions 89-90, 98-99

Q. 89. How is the Word made effectual to salvation?

A. The Spirit of God maketh the reading, but especially the preaching, of the Word, an effectual means of convincing and converting sinners, and of building them up in holiness and comfort, through faith, unto salvation.<sup>1</sup>

Q. 90. How is the Word to be read and heard, that it may become effectual to salvation?

A. That the Word may become effectual to salvation, we must attend thereunto with diligence, preparation, and prayer;<sup>2</sup> receive it with faith and love, lay it up in our hearts, and practice it in our lives.<sup>3</sup>

Q. 98. What is prayer?

A. Prayer is an offering up of our desires unto God,<sup>4</sup> for things agreeable to his will,<sup>5</sup> in the name of Christ,<sup>6</sup> with confession of our sins,<sup>7</sup> and thankful acknowledgment of his mercies.<sup>8</sup>

Q. 99. What rule hath God given for our direction in prayer?

A. The whole Word of God is of use to direct us in prayer; but the special rule of direction is that form of prayer which Christ taught his disciples, commonly called the Lord's Prayer. 10

# Calvary Presbyterian Church

October 20, 2024



Our Mission - We exist to know, worship, serve, and enjoy the one true God.

Our Vision - We seek to love God completely, love others selflessly, and everywhere proclaim Christ: crucified, risen, and reigning forever.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Nehemiah 8:8-9; Acts 20:32; Romans 10:14-17; <sup>2</sup> Timothy 3:15-17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Deuteronomy 6:16 ff.; Psalm 119:18; 1 Peter 2:1-2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Psalm 119:11; 2 Thessalonians 2:10; Hebrews 4:2; James 1:22-25.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Psalm 10:17; Psalm 62:8; Matthew 7:7-8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 1 John 5:14.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> John 16:23-24.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Psalm 32:5-6; Daniel 9:4-19; 1 John 1:9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Psalm 103:1-5; Psalm 136; Philippians 4:6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 1 John 5:14.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Matthew 6:9-13.