Liturgy for Corporate Worship

The Lord's Day

September 29, 2024

Prelude

Chris Holmberg

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

Choir

Worship God with Music

Call to Worship

Psalm 100

Opening Hymn

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Holy, Holy, Holy

Corporate Prayer of Confession & Silent Confession

O Lord, our Maker, our Defender, and our Redeemer, we have sinned against you. Our natures are corrupt and sinful; prone to fall away from you, sluggish to do good and swift to do evil. Vain thoughts have come upon us and found lodging within us, defiling and disquieting our minds, and keeping out good thoughts. We have burdened ourselves with that care which you have commanded us to cast upon you. We have failed in our duties one to another, and have provoked one another as much to folly and anger as to love and good works. We have been cold in our love to you, weak in our desires toward you, unsteady in our walking with you, and are even at this time poorly prepared to serve you. We beseech you - forgive all our sins, for Christ's sake, and be at peace with us in him who died to make peace and lives to make intercession for us. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 5:6-9

The Gloria Patri

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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 Al Dipzinski

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.

Special Music Ladies Ensemble

Carry Me Home

Unison Scripture Reading Psalm 119:97-112

Anthem Choir

Ever in Joyful Song

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon Hymn 496

My Jesus I Love Thee

Sermon Elder Sam Winegarden

Psalm 1...The Way of the Righteous

Closing Hymn 243

How Firm a Foundation

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, till we meet again.

Postlude

Our prayer of confession was adapted from a prayer by Matthew Henry.

Featured Element of Worship: Confession of Sins

Some have questioned whether confession of sin has a place in worship. Such acknowledgment of our shortcomings may be perceived as a "downer" or a "turnoff" to congregants who have little background in church. However, it is reasonable to question whether worship is Christian worship at all if there is no opportunity for confession. Human confession is the reflex response of divine encounter. If there really has been no confession in a worship service, then there has been no real apprehension of God. His praise necessitates our humility. We cannot truly honor his worth without sensing our unworthiness. We cannot really see who he is and fail to bow.

(From Christ-Centered Worship by Bryan Chapell)



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Unison Scripture Reading...Psalm 119:97-112

⁹⁷ Oh how I love your law!

It is my meditation all the day.

Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, for it is ever with me.

⁹⁹ I have more understanding than all my teachers,

for your testimonies are my meditation.

¹⁰⁰ I understand more than the aged,

for I keep your precepts.

¹⁰¹ I hold back my feet from every evil way,

in order to keep your word.

¹⁰² I do not turn aside from your rules,

for you have taught me.

¹⁰³ How sweet are your words to my taste,

sweeter than honey to my mouth!

¹⁰⁴ Through your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way.

105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

¹⁰⁶ I have sworn an oath and confirmed it,

to keep your righteous rules.

¹⁰⁷ I am severely afflicted;

give me life, O LORD, according to your word!

¹⁰⁸ Accept my freewill offerings of praise, O LORD, and teach me your rules.

¹⁰⁹ I hold my life in my hand continually,

but I do not forget your law.

¹¹⁰ The wicked have laid a snare for me,

but I do not stray from your precepts.

111 Your testimonies are my heritage forever,

for they are the joy of my heart.

¹¹² I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.

Ever In Joyful Song

Praise Him, praise Him, ever in joyful song!

Praise Him, Praise Him, Jesus, our blessed Redeemer!
Sing, O earth, His wonderful love proclaim!
Hail Him, Hail Him, highest archangels in glory!
Strength and honor give to His holy name!

Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard his children. In His arms He carries them all day long:

Praise Him praise Him tell of His excellent greatness!

Praise Him praise Him, ever in joyful song!

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love.
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,
Op'ning to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness.

Drive the dark of doubt away.

Giver of immortal gladness,

Fill us with the light of day.

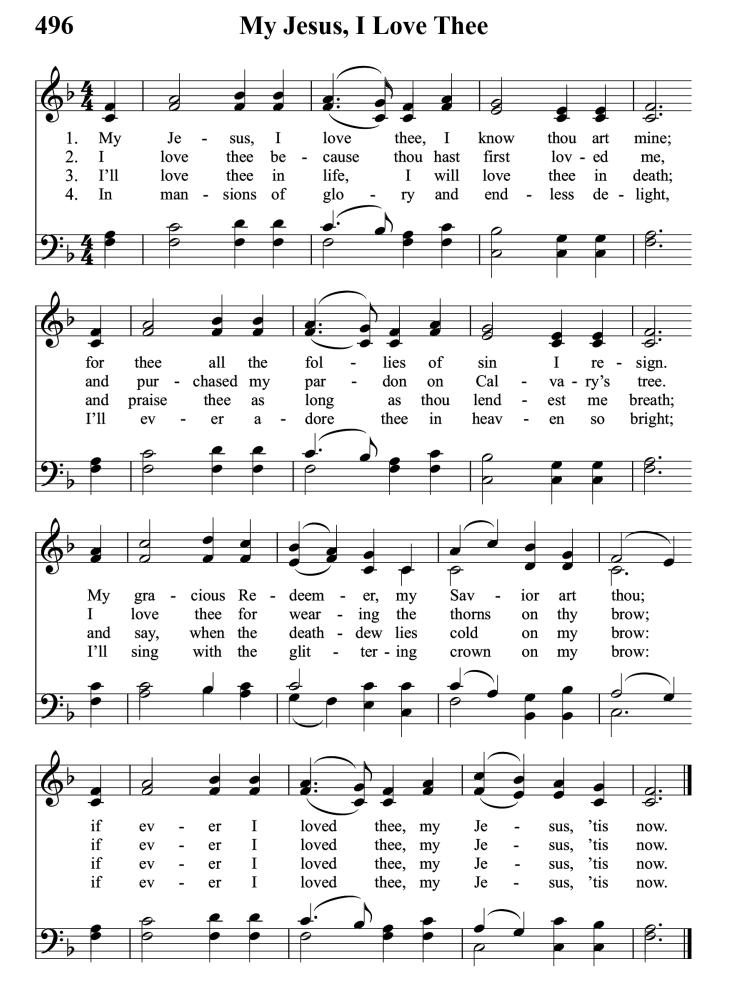
Christ is coming, over the world victorious.

Power and glory unto the Lord belong:

Praise Him, praise Him, tell of His excellent greatness!

Praise Him, praise Him, ever in joyful song!

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Sermon Notes...Psalm 1

- ¹ Blessed is the man
 - who walks not in the counsel of the wicked.
- nor stands in the way of sinners,
 - nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
- ² but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.
- ³ He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither.
- In all that he does, he prospers.
- The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
- ⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
- ⁶ for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

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- 5. "E'en down to old age all my people shall prove my sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.
- 6. "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
 I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
 that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
 I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

John Rippon, A *Selection of Hymns*, 1787; alt. Mod. CCLI# 594962

<u>The Flowers</u> adorning our worship this morning have been provided this morning by Jimmy and Karen Hayden in celebration of their 43rd anniversary on September 26th!

<u>Communion</u>: Next Sunday we will be partaking of the Lord's Supper. Make sure to take time this week to prepare your hearts to come to the Lord's table.

<u>Tuesdays at Two</u>: Join us each at the church each Tuesday afternoon for a time of discipleship, prayer and fellowship.

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!

<u>Prayers</u>: As you pray for your church family, please remember Bruce Dunn & Roberta Eisinger who are recovering at home from recent hospitalizations.



This Week at Calvary

Today	9:40 Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome)
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10:00 Worship Service

followed by coffee, donuts & fellowship

11:30 Sunday School

Tuesday 2:00 Tuesdays at Two

Wednesday 6:00 Fellowship Dinner

7:00 Wednesday Night Worship

Thursday 6:30 Choir Rehearsal

Friday Office Closed

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Next Sunday's Sermon Text will be **Lamentations 1**. In addition to the **Westminster Shorter Catechism Questions 63-69** (printed on the back of the bulletin), spend some time this week meditating on this passage as you reflect on this week's service and look forward to our next gathering.

Church Staff

Pastor	Pete Scribner
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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 63-69

Q. 63. Which is the fifth commandment?

A. The fifth commandment is, *Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.*¹

Q. 64. What is required in the fifth commandment?

A. The fifth commandment requireth the preserving the honor, and performing the duties, belonging to everyone in their several places and relations, as superiors, inferiors, or equals.²

Q. 65. What is forbidden in the fifth commandment?

A. The fifth commandment forbiddeth the neglecting of, or doing anything against, the honor and duty which belongeth to everyone in their several places and relations.³

Q. 66. What is the reason annexed to the fifth commandment?

A. The reason annexed to the fifth commandment is, a promise of long life and prosperity (as far as it shall serve for God's glory and their own good) to all such as keep this commandment.⁴

Q. 67. Which is the sixth commandment?

A. The sixth commandment is, *Thou shalt not kill.*⁵

Q. 68. What is required in the sixth commandment?

A. The sixth commandment requireth all lawful endeavors to preserve our own life, and the life of others.⁶

Q. 69. What is forbidden in the sixth commandment?

A. The sixth commandment forbiddeth the taking away of our own life, or the life of our neighbor, unjustly, or whatsoever tendeth thereunto.⁷

Calvary Presbyterian Church

September 29, 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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¹Exodus 20:12; Deuteronomy 5:16.

² Romans 13:1, 7; Ephesians 5:21-22, 24; Ephesians 6:1, 4-5, 9; 1 Peter 2:17.

³ Matthew 15:4-6; Romans 13:8.

⁴ Exodus 20:12; Deuteronomy 5:16; Ephesians 6:2-3.

⁵ Exodus 20:13; Deuteronomy 5:17.

⁶ Ephesians 5:28-29.

⁷ Genesis 9:6; Matthew 5:22; 1 John 3:15.