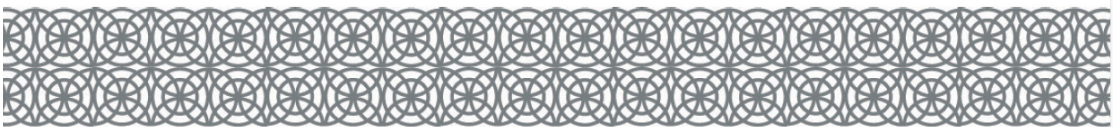


SUNDAY EVENING

Vespers



CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JUNE 26 2022

Lord's Day Vespers

EVENING WORSHIP AT 6:00 P.M.

EVENING VESPER MEDITATION

Almighty God, we give You thanks for surrounding us, as daylight fades, with the brightness of vesper light; and we implore You in Your great mercy that, as You enfold us with the radiance of Your light, so You would shine into our hearts the brightness of Your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord dispel the darkness of our hearts, that by Your brightness we may know You to be the true God and Eternal Light, living and reigning forever and ever. Amen.



Prelude

Call to Worship

Psalm 9:1-2

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will recount all of Your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and exult in You; I will sing praise to Your Name, O Most High.

Hymn

Oh, Give Thanks to the Lord

(see page 6)

Responsive Reading

Psalm 29:3-11

Minister: Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,

People: for His steadfast love endures forever.

Minister: Give thanks to the God of gods,

People: for His steadfast love endures forever.

Minister: Give thanks to the Lord of lords,

People: for His steadfast love endures forever;
Minister: to Him Who alone does great wonders,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever;
Minister: to Him Who by understanding made the heavens,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever;
Minister: to Him Who spread out the Earth above the waters,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever;
Minister: to Him Who made the great lights,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever;
Minister: the sun to rule over the day,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever;
Minister: the moon and stars to rule over the night,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever;
Minister: Give thanks to the God of Heaven,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever.

Evening Prayer

Corporate Prayer

O Lord, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes, the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in Your mercy grant us a safe lodging, a holy rest, peace at last and rest in Him, Who saved us, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn

Come to Jesus (Rest in Him)

(see page 7)

At the last stanza of "Come to Jesus (Rest in Him)," children are dismissed to attend their classes.

Evening Scripture Lesson

Ezekiel 36:25-27

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. 26 And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. 27 And I will put My Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes and be careful to obey My rules.

Homily

I WILL PUT MY SPIRIT WITHIN YOU

Dr. Frank Ellis

Ezekiel 36:25-27



Sermon Notes

Prayer

The Hymn of Preparation

The Lord, Our God Is Good

(see page 8)

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to and the Fencing of the Table

Participation requires your reverence and attention, discernment of the Lord's Body, a clear understanding of the meaning of the Lord's Supper, meditation on Christ's suffering and death, self-judgment, sorrow for sin, desire for Christ, feeding on Him in faith, trusting in Him, rejoicing in His love, giving thanks for His grace, renewal of your covenant with God and commitment to Christ, and your special love to all Christians.

Confession of Our Faith

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us and for our salvation came down from Heaven; and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into Heaven; and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Ghost; the Lord and Giver of life; Who proceeds from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; Who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead; and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of Humble Access

Words of Institution

Serving of the Meal

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

(see page 9)

Benediction

Congregational Response *Christ Our Hope in Life and Death (Chorus)*

O Sing Hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal;
O sing Hallelujah! Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.

Postlude



Oh, Give Thanks! (Psalm 107)



1. We were wan - d'ring in the de - sert with our souls
 2. We were locked out of the gar - den and our backs
 3. We were fools in our re - bell - ion with our hun -
 4. We were far out on the o - cean ma - king wealth



so starved and weak; we were hun - gry for a home - land we did not
 bend down with pain in the sha - dow of death's dark - ness we were slaves
 - ger strike of pride; we were sick and grow - ing clos - er to the death
 and cha - sing dreams but the waves of great de - struc - tion brought us trem -



know how to seek, but we lif - ted up our voi -
 to sin and blame Then we cried out in our la -
 - we should have died Then he heard of our con - di -
 - bling to our knees, and we cried like drun - ken sai -



- ces to the on - ly One who hears and the God
 - bor to the on - ly One who hears and the God
 - tion and He called us by our names and the God
 - lors to the on - ly One who hears and the God



of mer - cy came and brought us near. Oh give thanks to the Lord
 of mer - cy wiped a - way our tears.
 of glo - ry took a - way our shame.
 of com - fort took a - way our fears.



for His love en - dures fo - re - ver! We were wan - der - ing and lost and our Fa -



- ther brought us home to a safe dwe - lling place, to a feast



of joy and laugh - ter. Oh give thanks to the Lord for He is good.

Come to Jesus (Rest in Him)



1. Are you wear - y, heav - y la - den? Come and lay your bur - dens down;
 (2. Are you) hope - less, are you guilt - y? Caught in shame for all your sin?
 (3. Are you) wait - ing in your sor - rows For this bro - ken world to heal?



Je - sus calls you, Je - sus draws you; rest in Him.
 He pur - sues you to for - give you; rest in Him.
 He is com - ing, soon re - turn - ing; rest in Him.



He is gen - tle, He is low - ly, He de - lights to bring us peace;
 He has paid for ev - 'ry fail - ure, Mer - cy flows in end - less streams;
 We will see Him, we will know Him, O what heights of grace re - vealed;



Ten - der Shep - herd, might - y Sa - vior: rest in Him.
 Come and fol - low, free - dom calls you: rest in Him.
 3a. From his kind - ness ev - 'ry prom - ise then ful - filled; *3rd verse, add line 3b before going to chorus*
 3b. Trust in Je - sus, He will keep us to the end.

Chorus




How sure his com - pas - sion for us! Oh how deep is his



love; So come, come to Je - sus and rest in Him.

The Lord, Our God, Is Good

Refrain




The Lord our God is good. The Lord our God is good, full of

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kind-ness and com-pas-sion, mer-ci-ful and just; the Lord our God is good.

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1. Who else knows our deep-est pain, bears it as His own?
2. Who takes His in-her-i-tance and gives it all a-way?

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Find us in our na-ked shame, clothes and brings us home?
Wel-comes guests to feast with Him who nev-er can re-pay?

Back to Refrain

CHRIST OUR HOPE IN LIFE AND DEATH

Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, Jordan Kauflin,
Matt Merker, Matt Papa

F F(sus4) F F(sus4) F Dm C

1. What is our hope in life and death? Christ a - lone, Christ - a - lone.
2. What truth can calm the troub - led soul? God is good, God is good.
3. Un - to the grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, he lives, Christ, he lives!"

C(sus4) F C/E Dm Bb F/C C F

What is our on - ly con - fi - dence? That our souls to him be - long.
Where is his grace and good - ness known? In our great Re - deem - er's blood.
And what re - ward will hea - ven bring? Ev - er - last - ing life with him.

Am7 Dm7 Gm7 F/A Bb

Who holds our days with - in his hand? What comes, a - part from his com - mand?
Who holds our faith when fears a - rise? Who stands a - bove the storm - y trial?
There we will rise to meet the Lord, Then sin and death will be de - stroyed,

F/C C Dm Bb F/C C F

And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh Un - to the shore, the rock of Christ:
And we will feast in end - less joy When Christ is ours for - ev - er - more.

F Dm7 Bb F C/E Dm F/A Bb

O sing hal - le - lu - jah! Our hope springs e - ter - nal; O sing hal - le -

F/A Bb F/A C Bb Dm7 C F

lu - jah! Now and ev - er we con - fess Christ our hope in life and death.

Making a Joyful Noise

Devotional Thoughts on Congregational Singing

*Let God speak directly to His people through the Scriptures,
and let His people respond with grateful songs of praise.*

–Martin Luther

Commanded to Sing- What and How We Sing

We have much creative freedom in our music and in our songs, which is magnificently displayed in the diversity of sounds and styles expressed in the Church all over the world. But the Bible is more specific about what we should sing.

Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. (Colossians 3:16).

One of the ways the Word of Jesus can dwell in us richly is for us to sing it to one another. Fundamentally, we are to sing about God, revealed in Christ and supremely in His suffering and His glory. The songs we sing should not brush along the surface, or pluck phrases out of context, or focus exclusively on ourselves, or describe Jesus in a way His Word does not (or even worse in contradiction to His Word). If you are singing as a member of the assembly of the saints, then don't just sing, but think. What are you singing? How does it point you to Jesus as He reveals Himself in His Word? Which lines in the lyrics flood you with joy because they move you to consider Christ afresh, and how will you sing them to others and back to yourself this week?

The Colossians passage above also speaks to how we sing. We are not to sing with a begrudging heart – “I sing because I must” – but rather “with thankfulness in your hearts to God.” We sing because He is marvelous. It is impossible to sing what you are excited about in your spirit and grateful for in your heart in a way that is tepid, tentative, and withdrawn. Deeply felt thankfulness produces a sound from our voices that is robust and enthusiastic. So, as we obey the command to sing, we are (or should be) unleashing a congregational sound of conviction. If we aren't, our children or visitors looking on have every right to question whether what we are singing is truly important to us.

Liberally taken from *Sing!, How Worship Transforms Your Life, Family and Church*, by Keith and Kristyn Getty, Chapter 2, pp 16-19.



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