

THE LORD'S DAY ~ December 27, 2009

MORNING WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

Preparation for Worship

Prelude

Pastor's Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship Revelation 15:3-4

*Hymn of Praise (T75) "O Father, You Are Sovereign"

*Invocation

*Hymn of Adoration "Be Unto You Name" (1)

We are a moment, You are forever,
Lord of the ages, God before time.
We are a vapor, You are eternal,
Love everlasting, reigning on high.

*Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty.
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Highest praises, honor and glory
Be unto Your name, be unto Your name.*

We are the broken, You are the healer,
Jesus, Redeemer, mighty to save.
You are the love song we'll sing forever,
Bowing before You, blessing Your name.

*Confession of Faith (T845) The Apostles' Creed

Scripture Reading (PB812) Matthew 7

Confession of Sin

O Lord, my every sense, member, faculty, affection, is a snare to me. I can hardly open my eyes but I envy those above me, or despise those below. I covet honor and riches of the mighty, and am proud and unmerciful to the rags of others; If I behold beauty it is a bait to lust, or see deformity, it stirs up loathing and disdain; How soon do slanders, vain humor and ungodly speeches creep into my heart! Am I beautiful? What fuel for pride! Am I deformed? What an occasion for complaining! Am I gifted? How I lust after applause! Am I unlearned? How I despise what I have not! Am I in authority? How prone to abuse my trust, make my will the law, exclude others' enjoyment, serve my own interest and policy! Am I inferior? How much I grudge others' success! Am I rich? How proud I become! You know that all these are snares in my corrupted heart, and that my greatest snare is myself. I grieve that my understanding is slow, my thoughts vile, my expression dull, my life unworthy; Yet what can you expect of dust but levity, of corruption but defilement? Keep me ever mindful of my natural state, but let me not forget my heavenly title, or the grace that can deal with every sin.

Assurance of Pardon 1 John 2:1-2

Pastoral Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Philippians 4:12-13

Offertory Hymn "Ancient Words" (2)

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world.
They resound with God's own heart. O, let the ancient words impart.
Words of life words of hope, give us strength, help us cope
In this world where'er we roam ancient words will guide us home.

*Chorus: Ancient words, ever true
Changing me, and changing you;
We have come with open hearts,
O let the ancient words impart.*

Holy words of our faith handed down to this age
Came to us through sacrifice. O, heed the faithful words of Christ
Holy words long preserved for our walk in the world.
They resound with God's own heart
O, let the ancient words impart. *Chorus.*

Prayer of Illumination Psalm 119:114

Sermon "Bearing Fruit" John 15:1-11
Rev. Robert S. Hayes

*Hymn of Response (T565) "All for Jesus!"

*Charge and Benediction 2 Peter 3:18

*Hymn of Benediction (C233) "Grace, Love and Fellowship"

*Postlude

Today's Worship Leaders:

Rev. Robert S. Hayes, Associate Pastor
Ken Gray, Mark Knetzer, Music Leaders
Jonathan H. Hayes, Service Deacon

EVENING WORSHIP 6:00 P.M.

Prelude

*Call to Worship Psalm 134

*Hymn of Praise (C811) "Another Year Is Dawning"

*Invocation

*Praise Hymn of Adoration "Again and Again" (3)

Lord of the manger, Lord of the cross,
We gained our freedom with the life that You lost.
You lived among us, our Savior and Friend.
And we praise You, Lord Jesus, again and again.

Lord of all mercy, Lord of all joy,
You claimed the vict'ry death can never destroy.
You give us new life that never will end.
And we praise You, Lord Jesus, again and again.

*Chorus: Glory to the One who walks beside us.
Glory to the One who always will.
We praise You for Your awesome love that guides us.
And when Your kingdom comes, we will praise You still!*

Lord of all ages, Lord of all days,
We stand before You forever amazed
at how You have loved us and called us Your friend.
And we praise You, Lord Jesus, again and again. *Chorus.*

*Confession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism, Questions 127 - 129

Leader: *What does the Sixth Request in the Lord's Prayer mean?*
People: *And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil means ~ By ourselves we are too weak to hold our own even for a moment. And our sworn enemies ~ the devil, the world, and our own flesh ~ never stop attacking us. And so, Lord, uphold us and make us strong with the strength of your Holy Spirit, so that we may not go down to defeat in this spiritual struggle, but may firmly resist our enemies until we finally win the complete victory.*

Leader: *What does the conclusion to this prayer mean?*
People: *For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever means ~ We have made all these requests of you because, as our all-powerful king, you not only want to, but are able to give us all that is good; and because your holy name, and not we ourselves, should receive all the praise, forever.*

Leader: *What does that little word "Amen" express?*
People: *Amen means ~ This is sure to be! It is even more sure that God listens to my prayer, than that I really desire what I pray for.*

* For those who are able, please stand at these times.

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