

Order of Worship
Morning Worship
August 9, 2020

Call to Worship: Psalm 138:1-2

Hymn #17 – Praise the Lord: Ye Heavens Adore Him

¹Praise the Lord: ye heav'ns, adore him;
praise him, angels, in the height;
sun and moon, rejoice before him;
praise him all ye stars and light.
Praise the Lord, for he hath spoken;
worlds his mighty voice obeyed:
laws which never shall be broken
for their guidance hath he made.

³Worship, honor, glory, blessing,
Lord, we offer unto thee;
young and old, thy praise expressing,
in glad homage bend the knee.
All the saints in heav'n adore thee;
we would bow before thy throne:
as thine angels serve before thee,
so on earth thy will be done.

²Praise the Lord, for he is glorious;
never shall his promise fail:
God hath made his saints victorious;
sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation;
hosts on high, his pow'r proclaim;
heav'n and earth and all creation,
laud and magnify his name.

Invocation

Confession of Sin:

Remember, O LORD, thy tender mercies and thy lovingkindnesses; for they have been ever of old. Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O LORD. Good and upright is the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way. For thy name's sake, O LORD, pardon mine iniquity; for it is great. Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me; for I am desolate and afflicted. The troubles of my heart are enlarged: O bring thou me out of my distresses. Look upon mine affliction and my pain; and forgive all my sins. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

Scripture Reading: Matthew 4:12-25

Doxology:

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.

Responsive Reading of the Psalms: Psalm 37:23-40, p.798

If the Lord delights in a man's way, he makes his steps firm;

though he stumble, he will not fall, for the Lord upholds him with his hand.

I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread.

They are always generous and lend freely; their children will be blessed.

Turn from evil and do good; then you will dwell in the land forever.

For the Lord loves the just and will not forsake his faithful ones.

They will be protected forever; but the offspring of the wicked will be cut off.

The righteous will inherit the land and dwell in it forever.

The mouth of the righteous man utters wisdom, and his tongue speaks what is just.

The law of their God is in his heart; his feet do not slip.

The wicked lie in wait for the righteous, seeking their very lives;

but the Lord will not leave them in their power or let them be condemned when brought to trial.

Wait for the Lord and keep his way.

He will exalt you to inherit the land; when the wicked are cut off, you will see it.

I have seen a wicked and ruthless man flourishing like a green tree in native soil,

but he soon passed away and was no more; though I looked for him, he could not be found.

Consider the blameless, observe the upright; there is a future for the man of peace.

But all sinners will be destroyed; the future of the wicked will be cut off.

The salvation of the righteous comes from the Lord; he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

The Lord helps them and delivers them; he delivers them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in him.

Hymn #614 – Now Israel May Say, and That in Truth

¹Now Israel may say, and that in truth,
if that the Lord had not our right maintained,
if that the Lord had not with us remained,
when cruel men against us rose to strive,
we surely had been swallowed up alive.

²Yea, when their wrath against us fiercely
rose,
the swelling tide had o'er us spread its wave,
the raging stream had then become our
grave,
the surging flood, in proudly swelling roll,
most surely then had overwhelmed our soul.

³Blest be the Lord who made us not their
prey:
as from the snare a bird escapeth free,
their net us rent and so escaped are we:
our only help is in Jehovah's name,
who made the earth and all the heav'nly
frame.

Pastoral Prayer

Our Father which 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 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, for ever. Amen.

Hymn #520 – Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

¹Jesus, thy blood and righteousness
my beauty are, my glorious dress;
'midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed,
with joy shall I lift up my head.

²Bold shall I stand in thy great day;
for who aught to my charge shall lay?
fully absolved through these I am
from sin and fear, from guilt and shame.

³When from the dust of death I rise
to claim my mansion in the skies,
ev'n then this shall be all my plea,
Jesus hath lived, hath died, for me.

⁵O let the dead now hear thy voice;
now bid thy banished ones rejoice;
their beauty this, their glorious dress,
Jesus, thy blood and righteousness.

⁴Jesus, be endless praise to thee,
whose boundless mercy hath for me -
for me a full atonement made,
an everlasting ransom paid.

Confession of Faith: Nicene Creed
I 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 men, and for our salvation came down from heaven,
And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead:
Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost,
The Lord and giver of life,
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified,
Who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe in one catholic and apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.
And I look for the Resurrection of the dead,
And the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Scripture Reading: Exodus 2:23-25

Title: God Remembers

Sermon Outline

I. The People's Prayers

A. They groan

B. They cry

C. They ask

II. The Lord's Purposes

A. He hears

B. He remembers

C. He sees

D. He knows

Hymn #634 – Sweet Hour of Prayer

¹Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
that calls me from a world of care,
and bids me at my Father's throne,
make all my wants and wishes known!
In seasons of distress and grief,
my soul has often found relief,
and oft escaped the tempter's snare,
by thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

²Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
the joys I feel, the bliss I share
of those whose anxious spirits burn
with strong desires for thy return!
With such I hasten to the place
where God, my Savior, shows his face,
and gladly take my station there,
and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

³Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
thy wings shall my petition bear
to him, whose truth and faithfulness
engage the waiting soul to bless:
and since he bids me seek his face,
believe his Word, and trust his grace,
I'll cast on him my ev'ry care,
and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

Benediction

Gloria Patri:

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.