

Order of Worship
Morning Worship
July 18, 2021

Call to Worship: Psalm 68:24-26

Hymn #65 –Before Jehovah's Awesome Throne

¹ Before Jehovah's awesome throne,
all nations, bow with sacred joy;
know that the Lord is God alone,
he can create, and he destroy -
he can create, and he destroy.

⁴ We'll crowd your gates with thankful songs,
high as the heav'ns our voices raise;
and earth, with her ten thousand tongues,
shall fill your courts with sounding praise -
shall fill your courts with sounding praise.

² His sovereign pow'r without our aid,
made us of dust and formed us men;
and when like wand'ring sheep we strayed,
he brought us to his fold again -
he brought us to his fold again.

⁵ Wide as the world is your command,
vast as eternity your love;
firm as a rock your truth must stand,
when rolling years shall cease to move -
when rolling years shall cease to move.

³ We are his people, we his care,
our souls and all our mortal frame:
what lasting honors shall we rear,
almighty Maker, to your name? -
almighty Maker, to your name?

Invocation

Confession of Sin: (from Psalm 130)

Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O LORD. Lord, hear my voice: let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications. If thou, LORD, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared. I wait for the LORD, my soul doth wait, and in his word do I hope. My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning: I say, more than they that watch for the morning. Let Israel hope in the LORD: for with the LORD there is mercy, and with him is plenteous redemption. And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: Mark 2:8c-11

Scripture Reading: Matthew 23:13-33

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 93, p. 818

The LORD reigns, he is robed in majesty;

the LORD is robed in majesty and is armed with strength.

The world is firmly established; it cannot be moved.

Your throne was established long ago; you are from all eternity.

The seas have lifted up, O LORD, the seas have lifted up their voice; the seas have lifted up their pounding waves.

**Mightier than the thunder of the great waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea
—the LORD on high is mighty.**

Your statutes stand firm;

holiness adorns your house for endless days, O LORD.

Hymn #64 – God, the Lord, a King Remaineth

¹ God, the Lord, a King remaineth,
robed in his own glorious light;
God hath robed him and he reigneth;
he hath girded him with might.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
God is King in depth and height.

² In her everlasting station
earth is poised, to swerve no more;
thou hast laid thy throne's foundation
from all time where thought can soar.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Lord, thou art for evermore.

³ Lord, the water-floods have lifted,
ocean floods have lift their roar;
now they pause where they have drifted,
now they burst upon the shore.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
For the ocean's sounding store.

⁴ With all tones of waters blending,
glorious is the breaking deep;
glorious, beauteous without ending,
God who reigns on heav'n's high steep.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Songs of ocean never sleep.

⁵ Lord, the words thy lips are telling
are the perfect verity:
of thine high eternal dwelling

holiness shall inmate be.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Pure is all that lives with thee.

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 #535 – O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

¹ O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
rolling as a mighty ocean
in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me,
is the current of thy love;
leading onward, leading homeward,
to thy glorious rest above.

² O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Spread his praise from shore to shore;
how he loveth, ever loveth,
changeth never, nevermore;
how he watches o'er his loved ones,
died to call them all his own;
how for them he intercedeth,
watcheth o'er them from the throne.

³ O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Love of ev'ry love the best:
'tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
'tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
and it lifts me up to glory,
for it lifts me up to thee.

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: Psalm 120

Title: Lament

Sermon Outline

I. On the escape from oppression (1a)

A. Theories on the collection of psalms

B. Arguments for the pilgrim psalms

II. In the voice of oppression (1b-4)

A. Confidence in God's salvation (1b-2)

B. Method of God's salvation (3-4)

III. In the midst of oppression (5-7)

A. Woe in Palestine (5)

B. War and Peace (6-7)

Hymn #108 – Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right

¹ Whate'er my God ordains is right:
his holy will abideth;
I will be still whate'er he doth,
and follow where he guideth.
He is my God: though dark my road,
he holds me that I shall not fall:
wherefore to him I leave it all.

² Whate'er my God ordains is right:
he never will deceive me;
he leads me by the proper path;
I know he will not leave me.
I take, content, what he hath sent;
his hand can turn my griefs away,
and patiently I wait his day.

³ Whate'er my God ordains is right:
though now this cup, in drinking,
may bitter seem to my faint heart,
I take it, all unshrinking.
My God is true; each morn anew
sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart,
and pain and sorrow shall depart.

⁴ Whate'er my God ordains is right:
here shall my stand be taken;
though sorrow, need, or death be mine,
yet am I not forsaken.
My Father's care is round me there;
he holds me that I shall not fall:
and so to him I leave it all.

Benediction

The Response of God's People Sung:

TPH #564, vv. 1/2

Now blessed be Jehovah God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous works, in glory that excel; who only doeth wondrous works, in glory that excel. / And blessed be his glorious name to all eternity; the whole earth let his glory fill; amen: so let it be; the whole earth let his glory fill; amen: so let it be.