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August 11, 2019 Trinity Season



Preparation for Worship

Please prepare your heart for worship and silence your mobile devices.

Today in worship we will sing the Doxology. The word "doxology" derives from two Greek words "doxa" (glory) and "logos" (word). So etymologically, it means "word of glory." A doxology, then, is simply a psalm or hymn sung in praise of God. Many doxologies are found throughout the Bible and were used in the synagogue and early Christian worship.

The last doxology in the Psalter is: "Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens!" The Apostle Paul frequently proclaims out of wonder and amazement at God's manifold mercies in Christ. For example, in Romans 11, he declares, "Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! ... For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen."

Today, the most common doxology sung in churches is: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow," written by Thomas Ken (1637-1711), an Anglican bishop in England. This doxology praises the Trinity as being the source of all blessings, particularly the gift of salvation.

Let us ask the Lord to awaken our hearts to His grandeur and beauty so that our worship and our lives serve as a continual doxology to Him!

OFFER YOUR PRAISE

ORGAN PRELUDE: "In You Is Gladness"
INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION: "Song Without Words" Felix Mendelssohr Jill Peak, piano
CALL TO WORSHIP
HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 53 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" LOBE DEN HERREN Words: Joachim Neander / Music: Stralsund Gesangburch; arr. Metzger / Psalm 103
INVOCATION (Please lift hands)

STATEMENT OF FAITH: Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 22 Shelley Hill (8:15)

Brandon Morrison (11:00)

How did Christ, the Son of God, become man?

Christ, the Son of God, became man by assuming a real body and a reasoning soul. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mary, who gave birth to Him, yet He was sinless.

This catechism will be the topic of the sermon this evening.

†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:

"Lift High the Name of Jesus" LIFT HIGH THE NAME OF JESUS

Words and Music: Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Fionán de Barra, and Ed Cash / Philippians 2:9-11

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our King.

Make known the power of His grace, the beauty of His peace.

Remember how His mercy reached and we cried out to Him.

He lifted us to solid ground, to freedom from our sin.

O sing, my soul, and tell all He's done,

Till the earth and heavens are filled with His glory!

Confess Your Need

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we have sinned without considering how much You love us. You see our sins more clearly than we can ourselves. Lord, You know when we are indifferent to Your Word; how often we forget to pray; the times we come unwillingly to worship; and yet we turn to You when we are in trouble. Lord, You know when we are untruthful and when we think evil of others. You see our anger and unfairness to our neighbors. You know how hard it is for us to forgive. Forgive us and make us clean, so that we can obey Your call to take up Your cross and follow You. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord we pray.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Nearer, My God, to Thee"arr. Arron Powell

Words: Sarah Adams / Music: Lowell Mason; arr. Powell / Psalm 119:151

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee. E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me. Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee.

Though like the wanderer, the sun gone down, Darkness be over me, my rest a stone. Yet in my dreams I'd be, nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee.

There let the way appear steps unto heav'n, All that Thou sendest me in mercy giv'n. Angels to beckon me, nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God to Thee, nearer to Thee.

> Men's Choir Calvin Ellis, director

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PRAYER FOR STUDENTS

PRAYER FOR EDUCATORS

♦PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (please stand)

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.

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, forever. Amen.

 HYMN OF PREPARATION: No. 128: "God Moves in a Mysterious Way".... DUNDEE

Words: William Cowper / Isaiah 42:16

SCRIPTURE LESSON. Exodus 7:8-13 (page 49 in the pew Bible)

The grass withers, the flower fades,

but the Word of our God will stand forever. (Isaiah 40:8)

SERMON Swallowed Up George Robertson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT: No. 587 "Who Is on the Lord's Side?" . . . ARMAGEDDON

Words: Frances Havergal / Music: German Melody; arr. John Goss / Exodus 32:26

†BENEDICTION (please raise hands)

†CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE:

Toccata on "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" Michael Burkhardt

♦ Indicates congregation standing

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A pastor will be available after the service to pray for you in the Gathering Room, located on the left as you exit the southwest door of the Sanctuary. To find out more about who we are and how you can become part of our church community, or for help with specific concerns, you may contact a member of our pastoral team listed below by calling (901) 454-0034 or emailing firstname.lastname@2pc.org.

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II. Execute the Lord's Commands (Exodus 7:10)

III. Expect Victory (Exodus 7:12-13)