EVENING WORSHIP MARCH 21, 2021

The Prelude

The New 23rd Covenant Choir

Because the Lord is my Shepherd, I have everything that I need. He lets me rest in meadows green and leads me beside the quiet stream. He keeps on giving life to me and helps to do what honors him the most. Even when walking through the dark valley of death, I will never be afraid for He is close beside me. Guarding, guiding all the way, He spreads a feast before me. In the presence of my enemies, He welcomes me as his special guest. With blessings overflowing, His goodness and unfailing kindness shall be with me all of my life. And afterward I will live with Him forever in His home.

Words and music by Ralph Carmichael, arr. J. Purifoy

The Call to Worship

The Song Heal Us

Heal us, Emmanuel, here we are. We long to feel Thy touch. Deep wounded souls to Thee we fly; O Savior, hear our cry.

Our faith is feeble we confess, we faintly trust Thy word; but will you pity us the less? Be that far from you, Lord! *Chorus*

Remember him who once applied with trembling for relief; "Lord, I believe," with tears he cried; "O help my unbelief!" Chorus

She, too, who touched you in the press, and healing virtue stole, was answered, "Daughter, go in peace; thy faith has made thee whole!" *Chorus*

Like her, with hopes and fears we come to touch you if we may; O send us not despairing home; send none unhealed away. *Chorus*

Words by William Cowper (alt. Twit) music by Kevin Twit and Lucas Morton. CCLI 600485

The Invocation

The Confession of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism #105-106

Leader: What do we pray for in the fifth petition?

Leader and People: In the fifth petition, which is, "And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors," we pray, that God, for Christ's sake, would freely pardon all our sins; which we are the rather encouraged to ask, because by his grace we are enabled from the heart to forgive others.

Leader: What do we pray for in the sixth petition?

Leader and People: In the sixth petition, which is, "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil," we pray, that God would either keep us from being tempted to sin, or support and deliver us when we are tempted.

The Scripture Reading

Exodus 5

The Psalm 130

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee the voice of lamentation; Lord, turn a gracious ear to me, and hear my supplication; If Thou iniquities dost mark, our secret sins and misdeeds dark, O who shall stand before Thee? ladies echo (repeat)

To wash away the crimson stain, grace, grace alone availeth; Our works, alas, are all in vain; in much the best life faileth; No man can glory in Thy sight, all must alike confess Thy might, and live alone by mercy. echo (repeat)

Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine own merit; On him my soul shall rest, His Word upholds my fainting spirit: His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort and my sweet support; *I wait for it with patience. echo (repeat)*

What though I wait the live-long night, and til the dawn appeareth, my heart still trusteth in His might; it doubteth not nor feareth; do thus, O ye of Israel's seed, ye of the spirit born indeed; and wait til God appeareth. echo (repeat)

Though great our sins and sore our woes, His grace much more aboundeth. His helping love no limit knows, our utmost need it soundeth. Our Shepherd good and true is He, who will at last His Israel free from all their sin and sorrow. echo (repeat)

Words by Martin Luther from Psalm 130, music by Christopher Miner © 1997 Christopher Miner Music

The children are dismissed to their choirs.

The Evening Prayer

The Sermon

Rev. Carl Kalberkamp

Matthew 5:21-26

Anger: Is it Really Like Murder?

The Song

Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God, breathe new life into my willing soul; bring the presence of the Risen Lord to renew my heart and make me whole. Cause Your Word to come alive in me; give me faith for what I cannot see. Give me passion for Your purity; Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within; may Your joy be seen in all I do. Love enough to cover every sin in each thought and deed and attitude. Kindness to the greatest and the least; gentleness that sows the path of peace; turn my striving into works of grace: breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, giving life to all that God has made, show Your power once again on Earth, cause Your church to hunger for Your ways. Let the fragrance of our prayers arise; lead us on the road of sacrifice, that in unity the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.

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The Benediction