EVENING WORSHIP MAY 3, 2020

The Call to Worship

The Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down: fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown: Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast; let us all in thee inherit, let us find the promised rest: take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be; End of faith, as its Beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return, and never, never-more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be: let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee; changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

The Invocation

The Confession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism #82, Romans 3:23, Ecclesiastes 7:20

Leader: Is any man able perfectly to keep the commandments of God?

People: No mere man, since the fall, is able in this life perfectly to keep the commandments of God, but does daily break them in thought, word, and deed.

Leader: How are we taught this truth in Romans 3:23?

People: "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Leader: How are we taught this truth in Ecclesiastes 7:20?

People: "Surely there is not a righteous man on earth who does good and never sins."

The Song

I Have Been Crucified with Christ

I have been crucified with Christ, and I no longer live. I have been crucified with Christ, and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me, who loved me and gave Himself for me. *Repeat*

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The Scripture Reading Mark 7

The Psalm 32

How Blest Is He Whose Trespass

How blest is he whose trespass has freely been forgiv'n, whose sin is wholly covered before the sight of heav'n. Blest he to whom Jehovah will not impute his sin, who has a guile-less spirit whose heart is true within.

While I kept guilty silence my strength was spent with grief, thy hand was heavy on me, my soul found no relief; but when I owned my trespass, my sin hid not from thee, when I confessed transgression, then thou forgavest me.

So let the godly seek thee in times when thou art near; no whelming floods shall reach them, nor cause their hearts to fear. In thee, O Lord, I hide me, thou savest me from ill, and songs of thy salvation my heart with rapture thrill.

The sorrows of the wicked in number shall abound, but those that trust Jehovah, his mercy shall surround. Then in the Lord be joyful, in song lift up your voice. Be glad in God, ye righteous, rejoice, ye saints, rejoice.

The Evening Prayer

The Sermon Rev. Dean Williams

Proverbs 7:1-27 An Autopsy of Enticement

The Hymn Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

"Jesus sinners doth receive": word of surest consolation; word all sorrow to relieve, word of pardon, peace, salvation! Naught like this can comfort give: "Jesus sinners doth receive."

On God's grace we have no claim, yet to us his pledge is given; he hath sworn by his own name, open are the gates of heaven. Take to heart this word and live: "Jesus sinners doth receive."

When a helpless lamb doth stray, after it, the Shepherd pressing thro' each dark and dang'rous way, brings it back, his own possessing. Jesus seeks thee, O believe: "Jesus sinners doth receive."

Oh, how blest it is to know: were as scarlet my transgression, it shall be as white as snow by thy blood and bitter passion; for these words I now believe: "Jesus sinners doth receive."

Now my conscience is at peace, from the Law I stand acquitted; Christ hath purchased my release and my every sin remitted. Naught remains my soul to grieve – "Jesus sinners doth receive."

The Benediction