EVENING WORSHIP July 5, 2020

The Call to Worship

The Hymn

This Is My Father's World

This is my Father's world and to my listening ears, all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.

This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought, of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget, that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.

This is my Father's world The Battle is not done Jesus who died will be satisfied and earth and heav'n be one. Jesus who died will be satisfied and earth and heav'n will be one.

Words: Maltbie B. Babcock. Music: trad. English Folk Tune.

The Invocation

The Confession of FaithWestminster Shorter Catechism #86Ephesians 2:8-9, Galatians 2:15-16

Leader: What is faith in Jesus Christ?

People: Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, whereby we receive and rest upon him alone for salvation, as he is offered to us in the gospel.

Leader: How are we taught this truth in Ephesians 2:8-9?

People: "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast."

Leader: How are we taught this truth in Galatians 2:15-16?

People: "We know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified."

The Psalm

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 Scripture Reading

The Hymn

How Firm a Foundation

Mark 12:28-44

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed, for I am your God and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be with you, your troubles to bless, and sanctify to you your deepest distress.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, My grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply; the flame shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume, and your gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

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The Evening Prayer

The Sermon

Rev. Dean Williams

Gimme and Let Me: Power and Control

Selected Texts

The Hymn

All I Have Is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way. The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave. I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will, and if You had not loved me first I would refuse You still.

But as I ran my hell bound race, indifferent to the cost, You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross. And I beheld God's love displayed, You suffered in my place. You bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is grace! Hallelujah! All I have is Christ! Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

Now Lord I would be Yours alone and live so all might see the strength to follow Your commands could never come from me. O Father use my ransomed life in any way You choose, and let my song forever be my only boast is You! Hallelujah! All I have is Christ! Hallelujah! Jesus is my life! (repeat)

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The Benediction