EVENING WORSHIP JULY 21, 2019

The Call to Worship

The Psalm Psalm 128

Blessed the man that fears Jehovah and that walketh in His ways; thou shalt eat of thy hands' labor and be prospered all thy days. Like a vine with fruit abounding in thy house thy wife is found, and like olive plants thy children, compassing thy table round.

Lo, on him that fears Jehovah shall this blessedness attend; for Jehovah out of Zion shall to thee His blessing send. Thou shalt see Jerus'lem prosper all thy days till life shall cease; thou shalt see thy children's children, unto Is-ra-el be peace.

The Invocation

The Confession of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism #36, Romans 5:1, Philippians 1:6

Leader: What are the benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification?

People: The benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification, are, assurance of God's love, peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Spirit, increase of grace, and perseverance therein to the end.

Leader: How are we taught these things in Romans 5:1?

People: "Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Leader: How are we taught these things in Philippians 1:6?

People: "And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ."

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 Scripture Reading

Ecclesiastes 7
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The Hymn

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You, to receive the food of Your holy word. Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness that the light of Christ might be seen today, in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us, all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility. Test our thoughts and our attitudes, in the radiance of Your purity. Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see, Your majestic love and authority. Words of pow'r that can never fail—let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds. Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, that will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on Your promises, and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built, and the earth is filled with Your glory.

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4-year olds, Kindergarten, and 1st grade children are dismissed.

The Evening Prayer

The Sermon

Rev. Dean Williams

Ephesians 4:13-16 Pew Bible Page 978

Grounded in Christ

The Hymn No. 597

Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire

The Benediction