June 13, 2021 Welcome Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Psalm 104:1

Praise the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, you are very great; you are clothed with

splendor and majesty.

Hymn: All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

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Invocation

The Law of Christ: Matt 22:37-39

Pastor: The Lord Jesus Christ summarized the moral law of God by saying,

Congregation: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Pastor: Beloved we have not done this as we ought; therefore let us corporately confess our sin:

Corporate Confession of sin: Adapted from The Broken Heart – The Valley of vision O, LORD, No day of my life has passed that has not proved me guilty in your sight. Prayers have been uttered from a prayerless heart; Praise has been often a praiseless sound.

Blessed Jesus, let me find a hiding place in your appeasing wounds. Though my sins rise to heaven your merits soar above them; though my unrighteousness weighs me down to hell, your righteousness exalts me to your Father's throne. All things in me call for my rejection, all things in you plead for my acceptance. Keep me always clinging to your cross. Flood me, I beg you, every moment with descending grace. Through Christ our only Savior, Amen

Personal (silent)

Assurance of Pardon: Eph 1:7-8

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding.

Congregation: We give praise to God for although he was angry with us his anger has been turned away and by faith in Christ our sins are forgiven.

Pastor: How far has he separated your sins from you?

Congregation: As far as the East is from the West, and he has replaced them with the righteousness of Christ

All: Praise and glory be to God our Father and to his Son Jesus our only Savior!

Response:

Minister: It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night. (Ps 92:1)

Congregation: For you make me glad by your deeds, O LORD; I sing for joy at the works of your hands. How great are your works, O LORD, how profound your thoughts! (Ps 92:4-5)

Hymn: A Debtor to Mercy Alone

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Confession of Faith: Westminster, Chapter 7, article 1

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Song: The Wonder of Your Mercy, Lord

## Chorus:

The wonder of your mercy, Lord The beauty of your grace; That you would even pardon me And bring me to this place. I stand before your holiness, I can only stand amazed. The sinless Savior died to make A Covenant of Grace.

I only want to serve you,
Bring honor to your name,
And though I've often failed you,
Your faithfulness remains.
I'll glory in my weakness,
That I might know your strength;
I will live my life at the cross of Christ
And raise a banner to proclaim

## Chorus

You welcome us before you, Into this holy place, The brilliance of your glory Demands our endless praise. The one and only Savior Has opened heaven's doors; We can enter in free from all our sin, By your cleansing sacrifice.

## Chorus

Children's song (tune: Do Lord – verse only) Jesus fulfilled the Covenant and so we're saved by him (3X)

Praise his name always!

Pastoral Prayer

OT Reading: Jer 31:24-34

Psalter: Ps 50:1-6 The Might God, the Lord #316

NT Responsive Reading: Gal 3:11-19

Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for "The righteous shall live by faith."

But the law is not of faith, rather "The one who does them shall live by them."

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us-- for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree"--

so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.

To give a human example, brothers: even with a man-made covenant, no one annuls it or adds to it once it has been ratified.

Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, "And to offsprings," referring to many, but referring to one, "And to your offspring," who is Christ.

This is what I mean: the law, which came 430 years afterward, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to make the promise void.

For if the inheritance comes by the law, it no longer comes by promise; but God gave it to Abraham by a promise.

Why then the law?

It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring should come to whom the promise had been made, and it was put in place through angels by an intermediary.

Sermon: The Better Covenant Heb 8:7-13

Lord's Supper

Bread: Not Worthy Lord #428

Cup: Depth of Mercy

Depth of Mercy! Can there be Mercy reaching even me? God, the just, his wrath forbears, Me, the chief of sinners spares. So many times my heart has strayed From his kind and perfect ways, Making clear my desp'rate need For his blood poured out for me.

Give me grace, Lord, let me own All the wrongs that I have done. Let me just my sins deplore, Look to you and sin no more. There, for me, the Savior stands Holding forth his wounded hands, Scars which ever cry for me Once condemned but now set free

Offering: Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Prayer

Closing Song: May the Grace of Christ Our Savior

May the grace of Christ our Savior And the Father's boundless love, With the Holy Spirit's favor, Rest upon us from above.

Thus may we abide in union With each other and the Lord, And possess, in sweet communion, Joys, which earth cannot afford.

Benediction

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