First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington September 13, 2020

Call to Worship: A Pillar of Spiritual Knowledge – *Psalm 100*

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

Serve the LORD with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the LORD is good;

his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations

God's Greeting

Come, Thou Almighty King

Come, thou Almighty King,

Help us thy name to sing; help us to praise.

Father all glorious, o'er all victorious,

Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou incarnate Word,

Gird on thy mighty sword; scatter thy foes.

Let thine almighty aid our sure defense be made,

Our souls on thee be stayed; thy wonders show.

Come, holy Comforter,

Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour.

Thou who almighty art, rule now in every heart,

And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.

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Call to Confession: Romans 10:9-10,13

If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord

and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead,

you will be saved.

For with the heart one believes and is justified,

and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance: from Psalm 124

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

We belong to God.

When we feel overwhelmed,

God is on our side.

When we are afraid,

God will keep us safe.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Blessed be the Lord!

Video Scripture

Morning Prayer

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall. Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown him Lord of all!

O seed of Israel's chosen race Now ransomed from the fall, Hail him who saves you by his grace, And crown him Lord of all. Hail him who saves you by his grace, And crown him Lord of all.

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Scripture: *Genesis 3:1-12 (ESV)*

¹Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?" ²And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³ but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'"

⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. ⁵ For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. ⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths. ⁸ And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰ And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." ¹¹ He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹² The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate."

John 17:20-23 (ESV)

²⁰ "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Where Are You?

Prayer

O Come, My Soul, Sing Praise to God

Good is the Lord and full of kind compassion, Most slow to anger, plenteous in love. Rich is his grace to all who humbly seek him, Boundless and endless as the heavens above.

Refrain: Praise him, all angels, wondrous in might; Praise him, you servants who in his will delight.

His love is like a father's to his children, Tender and kind to all who fear his name; For well he knows our weakness and our frailty; He knows that we are dust, he knows our frame. *Refrain*

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God's Blessing

God, the Father of Your People

God, the Father of your people, You have called us to be one; Grant us grace to walk together In the joy of Christ, your Son. Challenged by your Word and Spirit, Blest with gifts from heaven above, As one body we will serve you And bear witness to your love.

May the grace of Christ, our Savior. And the Father's boundless love, With the Holy Spirit's favor, Rest upon us from above. May we now remain in union With each other and the Lord, And possess, in sweet communion, Joys that earth cannot afford.

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