First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington November 15, 2020

Call to Worship: Psalm 99:1-3

The LORD reigns, let the nations tremble; he sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake. Great is the LORD in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations. Let them praise your great and awesome name, he is holy.

God's Greeting

He Is Exalted

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high; I will praise Him. He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise His name!

He is the Lord; forever His truth shall reign.

Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name.

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

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Call to Confession: Romans 10:8-10

The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: I Peter 2:9-10

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Morning Prayer

Bless the Lord, O My Soul

Refrain: Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul, worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul, I worship your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning.

It's time to sing your song again.

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,

Let me be singing when the evening comes. Refrain

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.

Your name is great and your heart is kind.

For all your goodness, I will keep on singing,

Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. Refrain

And on that day when my strength is failing,

The end draws near and my time has come,

Soon my soul will sing your praise unending,

Ten thousand years and then forever more. Refrain

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Scripture: *Luke 19:1-10 (ESV)*

¹He entered Jericho and was passing through. ²And behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small in stature. ⁴So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way. ⁵And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him,

"Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." ⁶ So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully. ⁷ And when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." ⁸ And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." ⁹ And Jesus said to him,

"Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Zacchaeus

Zacchaeus was a wee little man, and a wee little man was he. He climbed up in a sycamore tree for the Lord he wanted to see. And as the Savior passed that way He looked up in the tree. And He said, 'Zacchaeus, you come down! For I'm going to your house today! For I'm going to your house today!'

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Message: Zacchaeus Out on a Limb

Revive Us Again

We praise Thee, O God, for the Son of Thy love; For Jesus, who died and is now gone above.

Refrain: Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Hallelujah! Amen! Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Revive us again.

All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain, Who has taken our sins and has cleansed every stain. *Refrain*

Revive us again; fill each heart with Thy love; May each soul be rekindled with fire from above. *Refrain*

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God's Blessing

Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.

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Pastor: Robert W Music: Nancy Z

Offering: Dustin & Melissa plan to leave in the first quarter of 2021 to train and mobilize indigenous leaders and share the Gospel in Thailand. Tithes and offering can be mailed to the church office (1010 Front Street, Lynden, WA 98264), dropped off (place in the mailbox), through a bill pay service, or electronically with Tithe.ly (www.tithe.ly or through the app).

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