



Covenant Presbyterian Church

THE LORD'S DAY ~February 2, 2020



Pastor's Welcome

Prelude

"Psalm 138" (Tune: "He Leadeth Me")

I'll praise you, LORD, with all my heart; before the gods I'll sing your praise.
I'll bow to-wards your holy place and bless your holy name always.
I'll praise you for your faithfulness and for your cov'nant love, O LORD
For over all things you have raised Your holy name and faithful word.

The very day I called to you, You gave an answer to my plea.
You made me bold within myself; with new resolve you strengthened me.
O LORD, let all earth's kings give praise, when from your mouth they heard your word.
Let them extol the ways of God, for great's the glory of the LORD.

Although the LORD God dwells on high, the lowly person he protects,
Whereas the proud and haughty one He knows afar off and rejects.
Although I walk a troubled path, Your tender care preserves my life.
You raise your hand against my foes; Your right hand saves me from their strife.

The LORD will certainly fulfil for me the purpose he commands.
Your love endures for ever, LORD; preserve the works of your own hands.
He leadeth me, He leadeth me, by His own hand He leadeth me.
His faithful foll'wer I will be for by His hand He leadeth me.

Prayer of Invocation and Praise

*Call to Worship

*Hymn of Praise

*Confession of Faith

Psalm 115:1

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (T53)

Belgic Confession, Question #26B

Leader: *Christian, what do you believe about the intercession of Christ?*

People: We believe that we have no access to God except through the one and only Mediator and Intercessor, "Jesus Christ the righteous". Suppose we had to find another intercessor. Who would love us more than he who gave his life for us, even though "we were his enemies"? And suppose we had to find one who has prestige and power. Who has as much of these as he who is seated at the right hand of the Father, and who has "all authority in heaven and on earth"? And who will be heard more readily than God's own dearly beloved Son? So, the practice of honoring the saints as intercessors in fact dishonors them because of its misplaced faith. That was something the saints never did nor asked for, but which in keeping with their duty, as appears from their writings, they consistently refused.

*Hymn of Confession

"Jesus, I Come" (Words: T503)

Confession of Sin

Dear Heavenly Father, we come to You as Your sons and daughters and servants, grateful for the redemption that is ours in Jesus Christ, and yet aware of our continuing need of Your grace. We confess that we have sinned against You. We have broken Your commandments. We have fallen short of Your glory. We have not loved You with all our heart, mind, soul and strength. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We were born in sin and have continued to sin. We acknowledge our guilt. We rightly deserve Your curse and judgment. Blot out our transgressions, wash us from our iniquities, deliver us from bloodguiltiness. Forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, and restore unto us the joy of Your salvation. In Jesus name. Amen.

*For those who are able, please stand at these times.

Assurance of Pardon

Scripture Reading

Pastoral Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Hymn

Psalm 103:8,10-12

James 4

Proverbs 15:16

"Blessed Assurance"

Come, Holy Spirit, my soul assure relieve my fears that I no more
May doubt the love of Christ for me that my debt is paid, that I've been made free.
O Comforter, in me reside when the tempter speaks be my faithful Guide.
Show Your promise is for me secured for the battle be my heav'nly sword.

*Blessed assurance; Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God. Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.*

Illuminate me with the Savior's light to dispel my thoughts in the blackest night.
In darkest hour to my soul reveal the wounds which all my sorrows heal.
Impress that seal, His image leave and by Your pow'r to His grace I'll cleave
Until faith be sight and prayer be praise when beholding Jesus face to face.

*This my story, this my song, born of Spirit washed in Blood.
This my story, this my song, in my Savior I belong.*

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

Psalm 119:64

Zechariah 12:1-14

"Him Whom They Have Pierced"

Ezra-Nehemiah Series

Rev. Cory D. Colray

*Hymn of Response

"The Look"

I saw one hanging on a tree in agony and blood.
Who fixed His loving eyes on me, as near His cross I stood.
And never till my dying breath will I forget that look.
It seemed to charge me with His death though not a word He spoke.

*Forever etched upon my mind is the look of Him who died. The Lamb I crucified.
And now my life will sing the praise of pure atoning grace
That looked on me and gladly took my place.*

My conscience felt and owned the guilt and plunged me in despair.
I saw my sins His blood had spilt and helped to nail Him there.
But with a second look He said, "I freely all forgive,
This blood is for your ransom paid, I died that you might live."

Thus while His death my sin displays for all the world to view.
Such is the mystery of grace, it seals my pardon too.
With pleasing grief and mournful joy my spirit now is filled.
That I should such a life destroy, yet live by Him I killed.

*Charge and Benediction

Romans 16:20

*Hymn of Benediction

"The Gloria Patri" (T734)

*Postlude

