



Covenant Presbyterian Church

THE LORD'S DAY ~ January 3, 2021



Prelude

"Indescribable"

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea,
Creation's revealing Your majesty.

From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring,
Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings. All exclaiming:

*Indescribable! Uncontainable! You placed the stars in the sky,
And You know them by name; You are amazing, God!
All powerful! Untameable! Awestruck, we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim: You are amazing God!*

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go;
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow?
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light,
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night? None can fathom:

*Indescribable! Uncontainable! You placed the stars in the sky,
And You know them by name; You are amazing, God!
Incomprable! Unchangeable! You see the depths of my heart,
And you love me the same; You are amazing, God!*

Pastor's Welcome

Prayer of Invocation and Praise

*Call to Worship

Psalm 113:1-3

*Hymn of Praise

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" (T30)

*Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism, Question #1

Leader: *What is your only comfort in life and in death?*

People: That I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to Him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me whole-heartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

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

*Hymn of Confession

"Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak" (T560)

*Confession of Sin

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgments. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 4:22-5:1

Scripture Reading

Ecclesiastes 3:1-22

Pastoral Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Romans 12:1

Offertory Hymn

"Another Year is Dawning" (C811)

Prayer of Illumination

Psalms 119:126-128

Sermon

Psalms 119:41-48

"May the Waw's Be With You in 2021!"

Rev. Cory D. Colravy

*Hymn of Response

"I Will Wait for You (Psalm 130)"

I wait, my soul waits for the Lord. My hope is in His Word.
More than the watchmen wait for light, My soul waits for the Lord.

Out of the depths I cry to You, in darkest places I will call.
Incline Your ear to me anew, and hear my cry for mercy, Lord.
Were You to count my sinful ways, how could I come before Your throne?
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze, I stand redeemed by grace alone.

*I will wait for You, I will wait for You, On Your word I will rely.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You, Till my soul is satisfied.*

So, put Your hope in God alone. Take courage in His power to save,
Completely and forever won by Christ's emerging from the grave.
Now He has come to make a way, and God Himself has paid the price,
That all who trust in Him today, find healing in His sacrifice.

*I will wait for You, I will wait for You, On Your word I will rely.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You, till my soul is satisfied.
I will wait for You, I will wait for You, through the storm and through the night.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You, For Your love is my delight.*

*Charge and Benediction

Galatians 1:3-5

*Hymn of Benediction

"Our God Reigns" (C372, vs.1)

*Postlude

