First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington May 26, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM Worship Service

Call to Worship: Isaiah 12:5-6

Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world.

Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you.

God's Greeting

Majesty

Majesty, worship His majesty; unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.

Majesty, kingdom authority flow from His throne unto His own; His anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus; magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.

Majesty, worship His majesty; Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

When We All Get to Heaven

Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, sing his mercy and his grace; In the mansions bright and blessed He'll prepare for us a place.

Refrain: When we all get to heaven, what day of rejoicing that will be!

When we all see Jesus, we'll sing and shout the victory!

Let us then be true and faithful, trusting, serving every day;

Just one glimpse of Him in glory will the toils of life repay. Refrain

Onward to the prize before us! Soon his beauty we'll behold;

Soon the pearly gates will open – we shall tread the streets of gold. Refrain

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost, but now I'm found was blind, but now I see.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures.

He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

Refrain: My chains are gone, I've been set free; my God, my Savior has ransomed me,

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And like a flood His mercy rains, unending love, amazing grace.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,

We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun. Refrain

Call to Confession: The Ten Commandments

And God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God.

You shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol or bow down to them or worship them.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: *Isaiah 35:8-10*

And a highway will be there; it will be called the Way of Holiness;

But only the redeemed will walk there, and those the LORD has rescued will return.

They will enter Zion with singing; everlasting joy will crown their heads.

Gladness and joy will overtake them, and sorrow and sighing will flee away.

Sacrament of Baptism: Maddox Harold Stap

I Am Not My Own

The one who made the heavens made my heart and soul, before I drew a breath, I was loved and known. I am His creation, the Maker's masterpiece and all that He designs will be done in me.

My body is a temple of the Living God, I'll worship in this house that His blood has bought.

As I bear His image, oh may I not profane the holiness I hold in this earthly frame.

Refrain: I belong to the Lord; oh, I am not my own.

I belong to the Lord; I am not my own. I will honor Him, for this I know: I belong to the Lord; I am not my own.

And if He has redeemed me, I am not my own; the measure of my worth is His love alone.

He declares my standing and He declares my state; so I will know myself by the name He gave. Refrain

Offertory Prayer and Offering: Benevolence

Morning Prayer

Scripture: Romans 6:15-23

15 What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! 16 Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? 17 But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, 18 and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. 19 I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification. 20 For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. 21 But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. 22 But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: From Slavery to Slavery

Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above I have a strong, and perfect plea:

A great High Priest, whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart;

I know that while in heaven he stands no tongue can bid me thence depart, no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within,

Upward I look, and see him there who made an end of all my sin.

Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;

For God, the Just, is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me, to look on Him and pardon me.

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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.

Pastor: Robert W Prayer: Randy L, Blaine K Music: Cheryl K, Nancy Z

Offering will be received for the First CRC Benevolence Fund, used to help local people and families in times of need.

Nursery is available with a paging system for children under 3 years during worship service in the Education Building.

Children's Church is available for children 3 years – 3rd grade. Children are dismissed to the Education Building during the service.

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