

Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church

Order for the Worship of God--10:30 a.m. on August 30th, 2020

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP—Ephesians 2:4-10

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

OPENING HYMN—#110 (v. 1, 2)—Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah
Lyrics from the Bible Songs Hymnal, 1927
Music by William J. Kirkpatrick, 1838-1921

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, from the heavens praise his name;
Praise Jehovah in the highest, all his angels, praise proclaim.
All his hosts, together praise him, sun and moon and stars on high;
Praise him, O you heavens of heavens, and you floods above the sky.

REFRAIN

Let them praises give Jehovah, for his name alone is high,
And his glory is exalted, and his glory is exalted, and his glory is exalted
Far above the earth and sky.

Let them praises give Jehovah, they were made at his command;
Them forever he established, his decree shall ever stand.
From the earth, O praise Jehovah, all you seas, you monsters all,
Fire and hail and snow and vapors, stormy winds that hear his call.

REFRAIN

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—Heidelberg Catechism Question 1

Q: What is your only comfort in life and death?

A: My only comfort in life and in death is that I am not my own but belong body and soul 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 heavenly Father. 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 wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING—2 Samuel 18:1-18

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING—2 Samuel 18:19-19:8

SERMON—Bittersweet Victory

PRAYER

THE LORD'S SUPPER

CLOSING HYMN—#252 (v. 1, 4)—When I Survey the Wonderous Cross
Lyrics by Isaac Watts, 1707, 1709
Music is a Gregorian chant arranged by Lowell Mason, 1824

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

BENEDICTION

2 Samuel 18-19:8
Bittersweet Victory

Though the sorrow of guilt can be severe, there comes a time when the believer must let it go and move on with God.

I. David's desire and Absalom's end v.1-18

II. David's command and Joab's realism v.5, 9-17

III. David's remorse and Joab's counsel v.19-19:8