

Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church

Order for the Worship of God — 10:30 a.m. on May 2nd 2021

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Revelation 19:1-7

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

OPENING HYMN

Lift High the Cross (TH# 263)
George William Kitchin (1887)

Refrain:
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ
proclaim,
till all the world adore his sacred name.

1 Come, brethren, follow where our
Savior trod,
our King victorious, Christ, the Son of
God. [Refrain]

2 Led on their way by this triumphant
sign,
the hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks
combine. [Refrain]

3 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious
tree,
as thou hast promised, draw men unto
thee. [Refrain]

4 Thy kingdom come, that earth's
despair may cease
beneath the shadow of its healing peace.
[Refrain]

5 For thy blest cross which doth for us
atone,
creation's praises rise before thy throne.
[Refrain]

Affirmation of Faith The Westminster Shorter Catechism (1647)

Questions 27-28

Leader: Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?

People: Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

Leader: Wherein consists Christ's exaltation?

People: Christ's exaltation consists in his rising again from the dead on the third day, in ascending up into heaven, in sitting at the right hand of God the Father, and in coming to judge the world at the last day.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 23:33-39

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, for ever. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 12:38-41

SERMON

Jonah and Jesus in the Old and New Testaments

Rev. Scott Wilson

PRAYER

THE LORD'S SUPPER

CLOSING HYMN

Blest Be the Tie that Binds (TH# 359)
John Fawcett (1782)

1 Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love:
the fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.

2 Before the Father's throne
we pour our ardent prayers;
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
our comforts and our cares.

3 We share our mutual woes,
our mutual burdens bear,
and often for each other flows
the sympathizing tear.

4 When we asunder part,
it gives us inward pain;
but we shall still be joined in heart,
and hope to meet again.

5 This glorious hope revives
our courage by the way,
while each in expectation lives,
and longs to see the day.

6 From sorrow, toil and pain,
and sin, we shall be free;
and perfect love and friendship reign
through all eternity.

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Matthew 12:38-41 (NIV edited)

38 Then some of the Pharisees and teachers of the law said to him, "Teacher, we want to see a miraculous sign from you."

39 He answered, "A wicked and adulterous generation asks for a miraculous sign! But none will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. 40 For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of a huge fish, so the Son of Man will be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

41 The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and now someone greater than Jonah is here.