Hillcrest Presbyterian Church in America

AM Order of Worship – June 28, 2020

Prelude Please use the Prelude to prepare yourself for worship through silent meditation.

Welcome, Announcements, and Prayer Requests

Silent Prayer and Meditation

Call to Worship

Invocation and Prayer of Adoration

Hymn #53

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near, join me in glad adoration.

- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what he ordaineth?
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee! Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee; Ponder anew what the Almighty will do, if with his love he befriend thee.
- 4 Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee, decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief, spreading his wings to o'ershade thee!
- 5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him! Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly fore'er we adore him.

Q. 36. What are the benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption and sanctification?

A. The benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption and sanctification, are, assurance of God's love, peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, increase of grace, and perseverance therein to the end.

Q. 37. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death?

A. The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, and do immediately pass into glory; and their bodies, being still united to Christ, do rest in their graves till the resurrection.

Q. 38. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

A. At the resurrection, believers, being raised up in glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

Offertory

Please use this as a time for silent prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Congregational Reading

Psalm 35:1-18

35 Plead my cause, O Lord, with those who strive with me;

Fight against those who fight against me.

² Take hold of shield and buckler,

And stand up for my help.

³ Also draw out the spear,

And stop those who pursue me.

Say to my soul,

"I am your salvation."

⁴Let those be put to shame and brought to dishonor

Who seek after my life;

Let those be turned back and brought to confusion

Who plot my hurt.

⁵ Let them be like chaff before the wind,

And let the angel of the Lord chase them.

⁶ Let their way be dark and slippery,

And let the angel of the Lord pursue them.

⁷ For without cause they have hidden their net for me in a pit,

Which they have dug without cause for my life.

⁸Let destruction come upon him unexpectedly,

And let his net that he has hidden catch himself;

Into that very destruction let him fall.

⁹ And my soul shall be joyful in the Lord;

It shall rejoice in His salvation.

¹⁰ All my bones shall say,

"Lord, who is like You,

Delivering the poor from him who is too strong for him,

Yes, the poor and the needy from him who plunders him?"

¹¹ Fierce witnesses rise up;

They ask me things that I do not know.

¹² They reward me evil for good,

To the sorrow of my soul.

¹³ But as for me, when they were sick,

My clothing was sackcloth;

I humbled myself with fasting;

And my prayer would return to my own heart.

¹⁴ I paced about as though he were my friend or brother;

I bowed down heavily, as one who mourns for his mother.

¹⁵ But in my adversity they rejoiced

And gathered together;

Attackers gathered against me,

And I did not know it;

They tore at me and did not cease;

¹⁶ With ungodly mockers at feasts

They gnashed at me with their teeth.

¹⁷Lord, how long will You look on?

Rescue me from their destructions,

My precious life from the lions.

¹⁸ I will give You thanks in the great assembly;

I will praise You among many people.

Prayer of Confession and Intercession

Assurance of Pardon and God's Love

1 What can wash away my sin? nothing but the blood of Jesus; what can make me whole again? nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Refrain:

Hymn #307

O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow; no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus. Nothing But the Blood

2 For my cleansing this I see nothing but the blood of Jesus; for my pardon this my plea nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

3 Nothing can for sin atone nothing but the blood of Jesus; naught of good that I have done nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

4 This is all my hope and peace nothing but the blood of Jesus; this is all my righteousness nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

5 Now by this I'll overcome nothing but the blood of Jesus; now by this I'll reach my home nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

Scripture Reading: Luke 23:24

Sermon: "Forgive Them, For They Know Not What They Do"

Pastor Cam Smith, RUF Pastor at Penn State

Prayer of Application and Submission

Hymn #552

From out of the Depth I Cry, O Lord, to Thee

1 From out the depths I cry, O Lord, to thee; Lord, hear my call. I love thee, Lord, for thou dost heed my plea, forgiving all. If thou dost mark our sins, who then shall stand? But grace and mercy dwell at thy right hand.

2 I wait for God, the Lord, and on his Word my hope relies; my soul still waits and looks unto the Lord till light arise.

I look for him to drive away my night, yea, more than watchmen look for morning light.

3 Hope in the Lord, ye waiting saints, and he will well provide; for mercy and redemption full and free with him abide.
From sin and evil, mighty though they seem, his arm almighty will his saints redeem.

Benediction

Hymn #735 Gloria Patri

Postlude