Community Presbyterian Church

Sunday, 6/21/20

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Quote/Prayer for Meditation: ""Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven." - Matthew 10:32-33 NRSV

Greeting and Passing of the Peace

Announcements: Rev. Chris Scrivens

Prelude: "Jesus Paid It All" - music by Elvina M. Hall, arranged by Greg Howlett

Gathering Around the Word

Call to Worship:

Pour out upon us, O God, the power and wisdom of your Spirit, that we may walk with Christ the way of the cross, ready to offer even the gift of our lives to show forth to the world our hope in your kingdom. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen

Opening Hymn: #239, "Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!"

1 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!

Now is the triumph of our King!

To all the world glad news we bring:

"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

2 The Lord of life is ris'n today; death's mighty stone is rolled away; let ev'ry tongue rejoice and say: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

3 We praise in songs of victory that Love, that Life, which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high:

"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

Prayer of Confession: Deacon Michelle Scrivens

Lord, we have come to see that our lives fall far short of your glory.

Have mercy and forgive us.

Lord, you have given your life for us, and poured out your Spirit, yet we fail to return your love with all our heart.

Have mercy and change us.

Too often we are selfish and proud, ignoring you, Lord, and neglecting others.

Have mercy and cleanse us.

Lord, when we do not truly trust and obey you, we are overwhelmed by self-pity, fear and worry. Have mercy and deliver us.

In Christ we are given a sure hope and secure love, yet we follow the false hopes and desires of this world. Have mercy and forgive us.

Father, through the redeeming death of your Son on the cross, by your Spirit and through your word, transform and renew us to follow you with joy.

All this we ask, confident in your unchanging faithfulness. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Proclaiming the Word

Scripture Lessons:

Prophets: Jeremiah 20:7-13

Pastoral Letter: Romans 6:1b-11

Jeremiah 20:7-13

"O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers. "

Romans 6:1-11

"What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death,

so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus."

Sermon: "Feeling Thin"

(Click the title above to be taken to the sermon video)

Hymn #738, "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"

1 O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free; tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love; teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way. 3 Teach me thy patience, still with thee in closer, dearer company, in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.

4 In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way; in peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.

Responding to the Word

Offertory: Please visit our secure online giving page to make and offering today.

Offertory: "I Will Sing of the Mercies" by J.H. Fillmore

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on 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,
now and forever. Amen.

Following the Word into the World

Closing Hymn: #39, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee. Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not. As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning, new mercies I see.

All I have needed thy hand hath provided.

Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

2 Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow: blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

Benediction: Rev Chris Scrivens

Postlude: "The Lord is Holy" by Walt Harrah

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