

Call to Worship

Psalm 150:1-2, 6

Minister: *Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heaven! Praise Him for His mighty works; praise His unequalled greatness! Let everything that breathes sing praises to the Lord!*

Minister: *Give thanks to the Lord for He is good.*

People: His faithful love endures forever. (Ps. 107:1)

Invocation

Minister

✠Hymn of Worship

Come, Thou Fount

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, / Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; / Streams of mercy, never ceasing, / Call for songs of loudest praise. / Teach me some melodious sonnet, / Sung by flaming tongues above; / Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it / Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; / Hither by Thy help I'm come; / And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, / Safely to arrive at home. / Jesus sought me when a stranger, / Wand'ring from the fold of God: / He, to rescue me from danger, / Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor / Daily I'm constrained to be; / Let that grace now, like a fetter, / Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee. / Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, / Prone to leave the God I love; / Here's my heart, O take and seal it, / Seal it for Thy courts above.

✠Reading of the Law

The Second Commandment

Leader: *You shall not make an idol in the form of anything in heaven or on earth. What does the second commandment require?*

People: The second commandment requires us to preserve all the regulations for worship established in scripture and forbids our worshipping God with images. (Westminster Shorter Catechism 49-51)

Hymn of Praise

And Can It Be

And can it be that I should gain / An int'rest in the Savior's blood? / Died He for me, who caused His pain? / For me, who Him to death pursued? / Amazing love! how can it be / That Thou, my God, should die for me?

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Tis mystery all! Th'Immortal dies! / Who can explore His strange design? / In vain the firstborn seraph tries / To sound the depths of love divine! / Tis mercy all! let earth adore, / Let angel minds inquire no more.

He left His Father's throne above, / So free, so infinite His grace; / Humbled Himself, so great His love, / And bled for all His chosen race; / Tis mercy all, immense and free; / For, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay / Fast bound in sin and nature's night. / Thine

✠Those who are able, please stand.

eye diffused a quick'ning ray: / I woke, the dungeon flamed with light! / My chains fell off, my heart was free; / I rose, went forth and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread; / Jesus, and all in Him is mine! / Alive in Him, my living head, / And clothed in righteousness divine, / Bold I approach th'eternal throne, / And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

Confession of Faith

Q.1 *The Heidelberg Catechism*

Leader: *What is your only comfort in life and death?*

People: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—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 Father in heaven; 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.

Pastoral Prayer

Minister

✠Hymn of Preparation

Be Still, My Soul

Be still, my soul! the Lord is on your side; / Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain; / Leave to your God to order and provide; / In every change He faithful will remain. / Be still, my soul! your best, your heavenly Friend / Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul! your God will undertake / To guide the future as He has the past. / Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake; / shall be bright at last. / Be still, my soul! the waves and winds still know / His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.

Be still, my soul! when dearest friends depart, / And all is darkened in the vale of tears, / Then shall you better know His love, His heart, / Who comes to soothe your sorrow and your fears. / Be still, my soul! your Jesus can repay / From His own fullness all He takes away.

Be still, my soul! the hour is hastening on / When we shall be forever with the Lord, / When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, / Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored. / Be still, my soul! when change and tears are past, / All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

✠Scripture Reading

Minister

Minister: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Praying

Dr. Renton Rathbun

Ephesians 6:18

The Lord's Supper

Offertory & Offerings

✠Hymn of Response

Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; / Praise Him, all creatures here below; / Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: / Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. / Amen.

✠Hymn of Benediction

The Power of the Cross

Oh, to see the dawn / Of the darkest day: / Christ on the road to Calvary. / Tried by sinful men, / Torn and beaten, then / Nailed to a cross of wood.

This, the power of the cross: / Christ became sin for us; / Took the blame, bore the wrath—/ We stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see the pain / Written on Your face, / Bearing the awesome weight of sin. / Every bitter thought, / Every evil deed / Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

Now the daylight flees; / Now the ground beneath / Quakes as its Maker bows His head. / Curtain torn in two, / Dead are raised to life; / "Finished!" the victory cry.

Oh, to see my name / Written in the wounds, / For through Your suffering I am free. / Death is crushed to death; / Life is mine to live, / Won through Your selfless love.

This, the pow'r of the cross: / Son of God—slain for us. / What a love! What a cost! / We stand forgiven at the cross.

✠Benediction



Season of Pentecost

*To all who are weary and need rest;
To all who are hurting and long for comfort;
To all who feel overwhelmed and crave peace;
To all who struggle and desire victory;
To all who are lost and need a home;
To all who know they've failed and need a Savior;
To all who hunger and thirst after truth;
This church opens its doors wide
and welcomes you in the name of the
Lord Jesus Christ.*

