

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 34:1-3

Leader: *I will praise the Lord at all times. I will constantly speak His Praises. I will boast only in the Lord; let all who are helpless take heart. Come, let us tell of the Lord's greatness; let us exalt His name together.*

✠*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well spring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
All who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the happy chorus,
Which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us,
Brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward
In the triumph song of life.

✠Those who are able, please stand.

✠INVOCATION

CONFESSION & PARDON

1 John 3:4

1 John 3:5

People: Everyone who sins is breaking God's law, for all sin is contrary to the law of God.

Leader: *And you know that Jesus came to take away our sins, and there is no sin in Him.*

Nothing But the Blood

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

*O precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

For my cleansing this I see—
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
For my pardon this my plea—
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Nothing can for sin atone—
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
Naught of good that I have done—
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

This is all my hope and peace—
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
This is all my righteousness—
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

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.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Belgic Confession A1

Leader: *By what means do we know God?*

People: By the creation, preservation, and government of the universe, since that universe is

before our eyes like a beautiful book in which all creatures, great and small, are as letters to make us ponder the invisible things of God: His eternal power and His divinity, as the apostle Paul says in Romans 1:20.

PASTORAL PRAYER

✠*Christ Is All*

Why should I fear the darkest hour?
Or tremble at the tempter's power?
For Jesus is my Mighty Tower.
Christ is all, and He is mine!

Though hot the fight, why quit the field?
Why should I flee? Why should I yield?
For Jesus is my Mighty Shield.
Christ is all, and He is mine!

*Christ is mine! Christ is mine!
All my gain I count loss,
Because I know that Christ is mine!*

When creature comforts fade and die,
The world may weep, but why should I?
For Jesus lives, and still is nigh.
Christ is all, and He is mine!

Though faint my prayers, and cold my love,
My steadfast hope shall not remove,
While Jesus intercedes above.
Christ is all, and He is mine! *(refrain)*

Against me, earth and hell combine,
But on my side is power divine.
In the darkest night, His glory shines.
Christ is all, and He is mine!

*Christ is mine! Christ is mine!
All my gain I count loss,
Because I know that Christ is mine!
Christ is mine!*

EXPOSITION OF THE WORD

Rev. Louis Cleote

Testimony of Christ's Death

John 19:31-37

✠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.

✠*O Christ Arise*

O church, arise and put your armor on;
Hear the call of Christ our Captain;
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth,
We'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold, whose battle cry is "Love!"
Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul,
But to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on every side,
We know the outcome is secure.
And Christ will have the prize for which He died:
An inheritance of nations.

Come, see the cross, where love and mercy meet,
As the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,
For the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away,
And Christ emerges from the grave,
This victory march continues till the day
Every eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in every stride;
Give grace for every hurdle.
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old, still line the way,
Retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls, and hunger for the day
When with Christ we stand in glory.

✠BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Tuesday Morning Study Group will be meeting for breakfast and fellowship 9:00 Tues the 23rd at Strawberry Hill. We will be pausing our Dr.Thomas video series Imprisoned: Faith in all Circumstances for the month of May.

The Tuesday Morning Study Group will be starting a new video series by Dr. Derek Thomas entitled Imprisoned: Faith in all *Circumstances*. This series looks God's people who have been imprisoned, and the lessons learned that can be applied to any trying circumstance. Please join us.

Sunday School We are studying the book of Revelation and our study is entitled: Blessed Hope. The book of Revelation offers a rich vision of blessing and encouragement to God's people in every generation. Given to a church struggling to reconcile the hope of Christ's reign with the harsh realities of life in a fallen world, this book continues to speak to believers today. In this teaching series, Dr. W. Robert Godfrey guides you through the book of Revelation chapter by chapter, clears away confusion, offers practical insight, and equips you for a new and worshipful encounter with the risen and returning King.

Home Care Groups! If you are interested in being part of a Home Group for 2024 fill out the form in the bulletin or signup on the sheet on the back table.

Sunday Fellowship Time: Join us each Lord's Day after Sunday School and before worship for a time of refreshment. Coffee is available in the kitchen and often we will have cake provided as well. Sunday School ends at 10:10.

Tuesday Night Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m. See Deon Louw for details.

The Women's Bible Study Group New women's bible study will begin Feb.19 at 10 a.m. The group will be studying the book of Mark and reading "Jesus the King" (formerly titled King's Cross) by Tim Keller. The study's format will be that of a book discussion. The signup sheet and books are on the table at the rear of the worship area. Please come to first meeting having read the first three chapters of the book.

Greer Community Ministries: Our focus for March will be canned chicken and fish. Thank you for our generosity!

Miracle Hill Overcomers: Please remember to bring coffee and dry coffee supplies for the Overcomers. There is a marked box in the kitchen. Thank you for your generosity.

Please pray for our missionaries. Calvary Home for Children; Frontline Missions India (George); Frontline Missions China (Hansen); Miracle Hill; Peru Missions; Reformed University Fellowship; Christians Teaching Christians

Opportunities for worship, edification and fellowship:

- Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m.
- Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 a.m.
- Women's Bible Study and Fellowship, meets the first and third Monday morning of the month at the church. See Jenny Spears for details.
- Tuesday morning Bible Study and Fellowship meets on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. The last Tuesday of each month is set aside for a time of fellowship and we go to breakfast or lunch. See Doug Redding for details.
- Wonderful Wednesday Dinner meets the first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the church.
- Men's Fellowship Breakfast meets the 2nd Saturday of each month here at the church at 8:00 a.m. See Tom Pratt for details.

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

Season of Easter

April 14, 2024
10:30 a.m.

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers
and want fellowship;
to all who hunger
and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the
Lord Jesus Christ.*



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