# A Service of the Word, Prayer, and Sacrament

### **Song of Ascent**

Oh How Good to Be Together

Oh how good to be together in this weary world we trod. What a gift, what a treasure, kindred in the house of God.

On this day the Lord has fashioned, come rejoice with all your might. Raise a banner of salvation; He has led us through the night.

Refrain: Oh the joy, oh the sweetness, to be gathered in the name of the Lord. Evermore He will keep us, from the valley to the golden shore.

When it looked like evil conquered, when we felt the darkest hour, In despair we sought the Father, and He has proved His mighty pow'r. *Refrain* 

Tell the theme of His provision, how He met our ev'ry need. He has been our firm foundation, and He will ever, always be. *Refrain* Kirk Sauers | Paul Ranheim. © 2020 Bold Canary Music; Mellow Toad Music.

### **Call to Worship** Psalm 18:2-3 Jamie Peterson, Asst. Pastor of Discipleship

**Leader:** The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,

my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

All: I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.

### **Song of Praise**

Be Thou My Vision

Trinity Hymnal No. 642

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that Thou art — Thou my best thought by day or by night, waking of sleeping Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, I Thy true son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, high King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joy, O bright heav'n's Son! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

### **Prayer of Adoration and Invocation**

### Call to Confession

Proverbs 15:4

A gentle tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit.

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Father, we acknowledge that our careless tongues have brought much harm, like swords wounding the hearts of our loved ones and neighbors. We have had the opportunity to be a healing balm of grace with our words: encouraging, unifying, and filled with thankfulness. But we have spoken things that dishearten, divide, having complaining spirits. O Lord, forgive us for using our voices to work against the good of Your kingdom. Tell us again the comforting and victorious words of Christ on the cross: "It is finished." Thank You that our sins have been paid for in full, and may our mouths be vessels of goodness, mercy, and love. Through Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

# Offer of Forgiveness

Colossians 1:13-14

**Leader:** He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

**All**: We receive Your great mercy, O God!

# **Hymn of Rejoicing**

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in the believer's ear! It soothes the sorrow, heals the wounds, and drives away all fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole and calms the troubled breast; It's manna to the hungry soul and to the weary rest.

Dear Name! the rock on which I build, my shield and hiding place, My never-failing treas'ry filled with boundless stores of grace.

Jesus, my Shepherd, Brother, Friend, my Prophet, Priest, and King, My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, accept the praise I bring. Words by John Newton. Music by Bill Moore. @Public Domain. CCLI License: 2483564.

# **Sacrament of Baptism**

8:15 Miles Daniel Phillips

11:00 Caroline Collier Ezelle, Mary Evans Ezelle, Lilla Frances Steinman

#### Prayers of the People

This Week's Prayer Focus

Eric Henry, elder

Worship: for Christ to be exalted above all (Ephesians 3:20-21)

**Community:** for our elections, and for our nation's leaders to lead with wisdom, iustice, and compassion

**Mission:** for the persecuted church

**All Generations:** for the architects, contractors, and others who are helping with the

# Reading of the Scripture

Daniel 9:1-19

 $^{\rm 1}$  In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, by descent a Mede, who was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans— $^{\rm 2}$  in the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, perceived in the books the number of years that, according to the word of the LORD to Jeremiah the prophet, must pass before the end of the desolations of Jerusalem,

namely, seventy years.

Then I turned my face to the Lord God, seeking Him by prayer and pleas for mercy with fasting and sackcloth and ashes. 4 I prayed to the LORD my God and made confession, saying, "O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love Him and keep His commandments, <sup>5</sup> we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules. 6 We have not listened to Your servants the prophets, who spoke in Your name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land. <sup>7</sup> To You, O Lord, belongs righteousness, but to us open shame, as at this day, to the men of Judah, to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to all Israel, those who are near and those who are far away, in all the lands to which You have driven them, because of the treachery that they have committed against You. 8 To us, O LORD, belongs open shame, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against You. <sup>9</sup> To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against Him <sup>10</sup> and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God by walking in His laws, which He set before us by His servants the prophets. <sup>11</sup> All Israel has transgressed Your law and turned aside, refusing to obey Your voice. And the curse and oath that are written in the Law of Moses the servant of God have been poured out upon us, because we have sinned against Him. 12 He has confirmed His words, which He spoke against us and against our rulers who ruled us, by bringing upon us a great calamity. For under the whole heaven there has not been done anything like what has been done against Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup> As it is written in the Law of Moses, all this calamity has come upon us; yet we have not entreated the favor of the LORD our God, turning from our iniquities and gaining insight by Your truth. <sup>14</sup> Therefore the LORD has kept ready the calamity and has brought it upon us, for the LORD our God is righteous in all the works that He has done, and we have not obeyed His voice. <sup>15</sup> And now, O Lord our God, who brought Your people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and have made a name for Yourself, as at this day, we have sinned, we have done wickedly.

16" O Lord, according to all Your righteous acts, let Your anger and Your wrath turn away from Your city Jerusalem, Your holy hill, because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and Your people have become a byword among all who are around us. <sup>17</sup> Now therefore, O our God, listen to the prayer of your servant and to his pleas for mercy, and for Your own sake, O Lord, make your face to shine upon Your sanctuary, which is desolate. <sup>18</sup> O my God, incline Your ear and hear. Open Your eyes and see our desolations, and the city that is called by Your name. For we do not present our pleas before You because of our righteousness, but because of Your great mercy. <sup>19</sup> O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive. O Lord, pay attention and act. Delay not, for Your own sake, O my God, because Your city and Your people are called by Your name."

# **Preaching of God's Word**

Daniel's Prayer

Jason Sterling, Senior Pastor

# Invitation: Words, Welcome, Warning

Matthew 26:26-29

Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." And He took a cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom."

# Prayer of Thanksgiving and Distribution of the Elements

#### Communion Hymn

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

arrs. C. Tornquist, M. McDonald

### **Closing Hymns**

King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting without hope, without light, Till from heaven You came running — there was mercy in Your eyes.

To fulfill the law and prophets to a virgin came the Word,

From a throne of endless glory to a cradle in the dirt.

Refrain: Praise the Father! Praise the Son! Praise the Spirit, three in one! God of glory, majesty! Praise forever to the King of kings!

To reveal the kingdom coming and to reconcile the lost,

To redeem the whole creation You did not despise the cross.

For even in Your suff'ring You saw to the other side.

Knowing this was our salvation, Jesus, for our sake You died. Refrain

And the morning that You rose, all of heaven held its breath

Till that stone was moved for good, for the Lamb had conquered death.

And the dead rose from their tombs, and the angels stood in awe, For the souls of all who'd come to the Father are restored.

And the church of Christ was born; then the Spirit lit the flame.

Now this gospel truth of old shall not kneel, shall not faint.

By His blood and in His name, in His freedom I am free,

For the love of Jesus Christ who has resurrected me. Refrain

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#### Our Great God

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown; Your boundless love, unfailing, in grace and mercy shown. Bright seraphim in ceaseless flight around Your glorious throne; They raise their voices day and night in praise to You alone!

Refrain: Hallelujah!

Glory be to our great God!

Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm;

Surround us with Your angels; hold us in Your arms.

Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm.

Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee before our sov'reign God. *Refrain* 

Let ev'ry creature in the sea and ev'ry flying bird,

Let ev'ry mountain, ev'ry field, and valley of the earth,

Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe

Sing praises to the living God who rules them by His Word. Refrain

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#### **Benediction**

#### Sending

# Partaking of the Lord's Supper at Faith

If you know and love the Lord Jesus Christ, are earnestly repentant of your sins, are willing to renew your commitment to Christ, and are a member in good standing with a branch of Christ's church that preaches Jesus Christ as the only way to God the Father, we welcome you to partake of this sacrament with us. An usher will dismiss rows starting at the front of each section.

Please come forward using the center aisle, and wait until an usher directs you to one of the stations. We encourage families to come together. Please take a piece of bread and a cup as the trays of elements are passed. Cups with wine and cups with juice are marked on the trays. You will consume the elements while you are at the front. Return to your seat by way of the outside aisles. If you cannot come forward, please ask someone near you to alert a server, and an elder will bring the elements to you.

Children and adults who have not yet professed their faith in Christ or been admitted to the Table are encouraged to come forward with their families for prayer. Children and adults should partake only after professing their faith publicly.

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Thanksgiving Service information



# **Upcoming at Faith**

For more information, visit us online at faith-pca.org or on the Faith PCA app.

Church Workday: Help with campus-wide projects this upcoming Saturday, November 9,

Thanksgiving Service: We need volunteers for our Thanksgiving service on November 17,

Officer Nominations: Nominations for the offices of elder or deacon can be submitted through November 10. Nomination forms are available at any of our welcome desks.

# Sundays at Faith

### **Adults and Students**

Kingdom Communities meet at 9:45 a.m. A map of classroom locations is available at the welcome desk in the upper gathering hall.



**FAITH STUDENT MINISTRIES** 

> Room 234 7th-12th graders

**Room 168** Singles and married couples in their

late 20s to early 30s

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CORNERSTONE

**Room 145** Parents of older elementary-junior high students; singles and couples in their late 30s or 40s



**GENESIS** 

Room 101 Singles and married couples in their early 20s



COVENANT Room 144

Singles and married couples with or without young children in their late 20s to mid 30s



**CROSSROADS** 

Parents of senior high singles and couples



(across Buckton Road)

and college students; primarily in their mid 40s or 50s



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**EXODUS** 

Room 102

Singles and married

couples in their

mid 20s to early 30s

**COMMON GROUND** 

Room 104

Parents of early elementary-

age children; singles and

couples in their mid 30s to

mid 40s

Room 214 Parents of adult children; singles and couples primarily in their late 50s or 60s



Room 103 Singles and couples



# primarily in their late 60s, 70s, or 80s



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# Children

For children ages K5 - 6th grade, KingdomKids meets Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. Children's Ministry check-in is at the bottom of the worship center stairs.

For children birth - 4 years old, nursery is provided for both worship services and during Kingdom Communities. Check-in is available at the nursery entrance on the upper level.