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PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

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A WORD ON WORSHIP

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please prepare your heart for worship
and silence your mobile devices.*

The poet Rudyard Kipling wrote the following words in 1897, as an admonition to the British Empire against pride: "The tumult and the shouting dies; the captains and the kings depart. Still stands thine ancient sacrifice, a humble and a contrite heart."

When Kipling spoke of a contrite heart as an "ancient sacrifice," he was thinking of King David's prayer in Psalm 51: "The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart" (v. 17). Broken spirits and contrite hearts are those in which the obstinacy of pride has been replaced by the humility of repentance.

Note what our Lord promises to those who humble themselves: "For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: 'I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite.'"

Let us pray that the Lord would grace us with this most ancient of sacrifices. We do so not to earn His favor but because we already enjoy His favor in Jesus!

DECLARE HIS PRAISE ZEALOUSLY

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Trumpet Tune" Frederick Swann
"Lamento" from *Suite* Denis Bédard
Samuel Metzger, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP L. Brett Wynne

♠HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 164 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" AZMON

♠EPISTLE LESSON: I John 1:5-2:2. Grace Knight (8:15)
Shayla Johnson (11:00)

This is the message we have heard from him
and proclaim to you,

**that God is light,
and in him is no darkness at all.**

If we say we have fellowship with him
while we walk in darkness,
we lie and do not practice the truth.

**But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another,
and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.**

If we say we have no sin,
we deceive ourselves,
and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins,
he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

If we say we have not sinned,
we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

**My little children, I am writing these things to you
so that you may not sin.**

But if anyone does sin,
we have an advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ the righteous.

**He is the propitiation for our sins,
and not for ours only
but also for the sins of the whole world.**

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ALL TO CHRIST

**Lord, now indeed I find Your power, and Yours alone,
Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone.
Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.**

✦ PRAYER OF ADORATION

CONFESS YOUR SIN HONESTLY

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God, our heavenly Father, we cry out for more mercy,
for no day of our lives passes without proving us guilty in Your sight.
We confess to You our struggle with unforgiving hearts.
We often receive your blessings with thankless hearts.
We acknowledge to You our anxious hearts
that are slow to believe You have our best interests in mind.
We plead Your forgiveness for fearful hearts
that doubt whether You truly care for us.
Create in us a clean heart, O God
and bury our sins in the ocean of Jesus' reconciling blood.
For we make our prayer in His wonderful name, Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

EXPERIENCE HIS CLEANSING THOROUGHLY

✦ HYMN OF ASSURANCE: No. 486 "God, Be Merciful to Me" REDHEAD 76

stanzas 1, 2 & 5

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY SOLO: "I Know My Redeemer Liveth" G.F. Handel

I know that my Redeemer liveth,
And that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.
And though worms destroy this body,
Yet in my flesh shall I see God.
For now is Christ risen from the dead,
The first fruits of them that sleep.

Ginger Statom, soprano

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE BRYN CALFARIA

**Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and pow'r.
I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms;
In the arms of my dear Savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.**

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

✦ GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15) Dylan Franklin

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION 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, forever. Amen.**

TEACH HIS WAYS DILIGENTLY

PSALTER LESSON Psalm 51:1-12
(page 474 in the pew Bible)

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;

**The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen.** *(Isaiah 40:6b, 8)*

SERMON *Broken Commandments and Clean Hearts* Ronald G. Sadlow

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦ HYMN OF CONSECRATION: No. 455 "And Can It Be That I Should Gain" . . SAGINA
stanzas 1, 3 & 5

✦ BENEDICTION

✦ CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata on "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" Richard Elliott

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