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PUBLIC WORSHIP of GOD

August 19, 2018
Trinity Season
Aside from being a beautiful hymn and a skillful piece of poetry, the song is done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy…” (Titus 3:3-5).

The New Testament then unfolds the plan of God in Christ to save sinful mankind by His mercy: “For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures… But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy…” (Titus 3:3-5).

If you find yourself lost in sin, burdened by shame and guilt, or overcome by life’s struggles, may your response to God’s wonderful call be, “Jesus, I Come.”

What do the Scriptures say concerning the faithfulness of Christ and the certainty of His love for us?

[Christ] who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; 
Praise Him, all creatures here below: alleluia, alleluia! 
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: 
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost: 
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

8:15: 
Charlotte Landler Haaga, born February 27, 2018, daughter of Kathy and Martin Haaga

11:00: 
David Elias Kimbro, born July 1, 2017, son of Sarah and Barton Kimbro
Beckham Landers Preston, born April 25, 2018, son of Alissa and Josh Preston

SONG OF ENCOURAGEMENT: “Jesus Loves You”  
Jesus loves you, this we know, for the Bible tells us so; 
Little ones to Him belong, you are weak but He is strong. 
Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you! 
Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells us so.

Receive Christ, Our Savior

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, 
in Your presence we confess our sinfulness, 
our shortcomings, and our offenses against You. 
You have loved us with a love beyond our comprehension, 
yet we continue to doubt Your faithfulness. 
You have given us Your Word 
so that we may know and delight in Your will, 
yet we have given more consideration to our fleshly desires. 
Within Your Church, You have called us to love one another, 
yet we have been slow to practice love of our neighbors. 
In the world, You have called us to continue the mission of Jesus 
and to expand His kingdom on Earth as it is in heaven, 
yet we confess we are more apathetic than active, 
isolated than involved, callous than compassionate, 
and legalistic than loving. 
Forgive us, gracious God, 
and bring us back into the fullness of our covenant with You 
that we may live holy, just, and humble lives to the glory of Your name. 
It is in Jesus’ name and by the power of the Spirit we pray.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, 
but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD
OFFERTORY ANTHEM: “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need” ............ Mack Wilberg

My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is His name;
In pastures fresh He makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wand’ring spirit back, when I forsake His ways,
And leads me for His mercy’s sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, Thy presence is my stay;
One word of Thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows, Thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may Thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise!
There would I find a settled rest while others go and come,
No more a stranger, nor a guest; but like a child at home.

The Chancel Choir
Calvin Ellis, director

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING........................................... Todd Erickson

GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)................................. Lynn Erickson

Submit to Christ, Our Lord

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (please stand)

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.

HYMN OF PREPARATION: “Out of My Bondage, Sorrow, and Night” … Indelible Grace

Choir:
Out of my bondage, sorrow, and night, Jesus I come, Jesus, I come,
Into Thy freedom, gladness, and light, Jesus, I come to Thee;
Out of my sickness into Thy health, out of my want and into Thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Congregation stands and sings:
Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee;
Out of earth’s sorrows into Thy balm, out of life’s storms and into Thy calm,
Out of distress to jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come,
Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, out of despair into raptures above,
Upward for aye on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come,
Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee;
Out of the depths of ruin untold, into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,
Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee.
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON............................................. Revelation 21:1-8
(page 1041 in the pew Bible)

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

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PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT: No. 642 “Be Thou My Vision” ................. SLANE stanzas 1, 3 & 5

†BENEDICTION (please raise hands)

†CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Toccata” from Symphony No. 5 ........ Charles-Marie Widor

†Indicates congregation standing CCLI License #252778

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I. Beautifully Joyful
   A. Unparalleled Beauty Woos

   B. Unending Joy Entices

II. Gloriously Diverse
   A. Diverse Community Silences

   B. Diverse Community Reveals

III. Generously Restored
   A. Guaranteed Restoration Fortifies

   B. Generous Restoration Produces

IV. Victoriously Empowered
   A. Conditionality Warns

   B. Promise Empowers