

THE LORD'S DAY

Celebrating The Resurrection of Jesus Christ

March 7, 2010

Philippians 1:3f 'I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always offering prayer with joy in my every prayer for you all, in view of your sharing in the gospel...For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus...I have you in my heart... I long for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.'

WELCOME, INVOCATION, & CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAISE & PRAYERS

Hymns & Songs

Prayers of Adoration, Thanksgiving, & Confession

Scriptures

❖ *When Morning Gilds the Skies* Hymn #167

When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries:

May Jesus Christ be praised.

Alike at work and prayer to Jesus I repair:

May Jesus Christ be praised.

When sleep her balm denies, my silent spirit sighs:

May Jesus Christ be praised.

When evil thoughts molest, with this I shield my breast:

May Jesus Christ be praised.

Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find:

May Jesus Christ be praised.

Or fades my earthly bliss? My comfort still is this:

May Jesus Christ be praised.

In heav'n's eternal bliss the loveliest strain is this:

May Jesus Christ be praised.

The pow'rs of darkness fear, when this sweet chant

they hear: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Let earth's wide circle round in joyful notes resound:

May Jesus Christ be praised.

Let air and sea and sky, from depth to height, reply:

May Jesus Christ be praised.

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine:

May Jesus Christ be praised.

Be this th'eternal song, through all the ages on:

May Jesus Christ be praised.

❖ *From the Depths of Woe*

Martin Luther/Christopher Miner

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee the voice
of lamentation; Lord, turn a gracious ear to me
and hear my supplication; If Thou iniquities dost mark,
our secret sins and misdeeds dark,

O who shall stand before Thee?

Who shall stand before Thee? 2X

To wash away the crimson stain, grace, grace
alone availeth; Our works, alas! Are all in vain;
In much the best life faileth; No man can glory
in Thy sight, all must alike confess Thy might,

And live alone by mercy. Live alone by mercy. 2X

Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine
own merit; On Him my soul shall rest, His word
Upholds my fainting spirit; His promised mercy is my fort,
My comfort and my sweet support;

I wait for it with patience. Wait for it with patience. 2X

What though I wait the live-long night, and 'til the dawn
appeareth, my heart still trusteth in His might;
It doubteth not nor feareth; Do thus, O ye of
Israel's seed, Ye of the Spirit born indeed;

And wait 'til God appeareth. Wait 'til God appeareth. 2X

Though great our sins and sore our woes His grace much
more aboundeth; His helping love no limit knows,
Our upmost need it soundeth. Our Shepherd good and
true is He, Who will at last His Israel free

From all their sin and sorrow. All their sin and sorrow. 2X

(c. 1997 Christopher Miner Music) CCLI #85330

(Congregation may be seated.)

How Great is Our God!

Authors/Composers: Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves

The splendor of The King, clothed in majesty;

Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.

He wraps himself in light, and darkness tries to hide
and trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

(Chorus)

How great is our God, sing with me;

How great is our God, and all will see;

How great, how great is our God.

Age to age He stands, and time is in His hands.
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End;
The Godhead, Three in One; Father, Spirit, Son.
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

(Chorus)

Name above all names, Worthy of all praise,
My heart will sing, How great is our God! (2X)

(Chorus)

(c. 2004 *worshiptogether.com songs*) CCLI #85330

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Dawn Rodgers & Eric Wyse

Wonderful, merciful Savior, Precious Redeemer
and Friend; who would have tho't that
a Lamb could rescue the souls of men?
O – You rescue the souls of men.

(Refrain)

*You are the One that we praise. You are the One
we adore. You give the healing and grace*

our hearts always hunger for,

O – our hearts always hunger for.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long
to embrace; You offer hope when our hearts
have hopelessly lost the way.

O – we hopelessly lost the way. (Refrain)

Almighty, infinite Father, Faithfully loving
Your own, here in our weakness You find us.

Falling before Your throne,

O – we're falling before Your throne. (Refrain)

(c. 1989 *Word Music & Dayspring Music*) CCLI #85330

PRAYER OF CONFESSION &

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (1 John 1:8-9)

'If we say that we have no sin, we are
deceiving ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous
to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us
from all unrighteousness.'

~ OVER ~

SCRIPTURE READING: *Isaiah 46:1-10*

MISSIONS UPDATE, Pastor Bryan Wright
PRAYER OF INTERCESSION &
"THE LORD'S PRAYER"

DECLARATION OF FAITH:
Larger Catechism Questions 79-81

Question 79: May not true believers, by reason of their imperfections, and the many temptations and sins they are overtaken with, fall away from the state of grace?

Answer: True believers, by reason of the unchangeable love of God, and his decree and covenant to give them perseverance, their inseparable union with Christ, his continual intercession for them, and the Spirit and seed of God abiding in them, can neither totally nor finally fall away from the state of grace, but are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

Question 80: Can true believers be infallibly assured that they are in the estate of grace, and that they shall persevere therein unto salvation?

Answer: Such as truly believe in Christ, and endeavor to walk in all good conscience before him, may, without extraordinary revelation, by faith grounded upon the truth of God's promises, and by the Spirit enabling them to discern in themselves those graces to which the promises of life are made, and bearing witness with their spirits that they are the children of God, be infallibly assured that they are in the estate of grace, and shall persevere therein unto salvation.

Question 81: Are all true believers at all times assured of their present being in the estate of grace, and that they shall be saved?

Answer: Assurance of grace and salvation not being of the essence of faith, true believers may wait long before they obtain it; and, after the enjoyment thereof, may have it weakened and intermitted, through manifold distempers, sins, temptations, and desertions; yet are they never left without such a presence and support of the Spirit of God as keeps them from sinking into utter despair.

OFFERING

❖ *Doxology*..... Hymn #731

SONG OF PREPARATION

(Children 10 and under come forward during last verse for the Children's Message.)

❖ *El Shaddai*..... Hymn #42

PREACHING OF THE WORD Pastor Bryan
Wright

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Philippians 1:1-11

"The Journey for Joy: The Joyful Prayer II"

SONG OF RESPONSE

❖ *Like a River Glorious*..... Hymn #699

BENEDICTION Pastor Bryan
Wright

POSTLUDE

❖ If you are able, you are invited to stand.