

THE LORD'S DAY

Celebrating The Resurrection of Jesus Christ

March 1, 2009

Genesis 45:5,8 & 50:19-20 And now do not be grieved or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here. For God sent me before you to preserve life...Now, therefore, it was not you who sent me here, but God and he has made me...a ruler over all the land of Egypt...But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid, for am I in God's place? And as for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good in order to bring about this present result, to preserve many people alive.'

PRELUDE

WELCOME, INVOCATION, & CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAISE & PRAYERS

Hymns & Songs

Prayers of Adoration, Thanksgiving, & Confession

Scriptures

❖ *Brethren We Have Met to Worship* Hymn #381

Brethren we have met to worship and
Adore the Lord our God;
Will you pray with all your power,
while we try to preach the Word?
All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down;
Brethren pray & Holy manna will be showered all around.

Brethren, see poor sinners round you
slumbering on the brink of woe;
death is coming, hell is moving,
can you bear to let them go?
See our fathers & our mothers & our children sinking down;
brethren, pray & holy manna will be showered all around.

Sisters will you join & help us? Moses' sister aided him;
Will you help the trembling mourners
who are struggling hard with sin?
Tell them all about the Savior,
tell them that He will be found;
sisters, pray, & Holy manna will be showered all around.

Let us love our God supremely,
Let us love each other too;
Let us love and pray for sinners
till our God makes all things new.
Then He'll call us home to heaven,
at His table we'll sit down;
Christ will gird Himself and serve us
with sweet manna all around.

❖ *From the Depths of Woe*... Luther/ 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*
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(Congregation may be seated.)

Let Us Love & Sing & Wonder . . . Newton / Taylor

Let us love and sing and wonder,
let us praise the Savior's name.
He has hushed the law's loud thunder;
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame.

He has washed us with His blood, (3X)
He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord Who bought us,
pitied us when enemies.
Called us by His grace and taught us;
Gave us ears and gave us eyes.

He has washed us with His blood, (3X)
He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing though fierce temptation
threatens hard to bear us down;
For the Lord, our strong salvation,
holds in view the conqu'ror's crown.

He, who washed us with His blood, (3X)
soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder grace and justice
join and point to mercy's store;
When through grace in Christ our trust is,
justice smiles and asks no more

He, who washed us with His blood, (3X)
has secured our way to God.

Let us praise and join the chorus
of the saints enthroned on high;
Here they trusted Him before us,
now their praises fill the sky.

Thou hast washed us with Thy blood, (3X)
Thou art worthy Lamb of God.
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Before the Throne of God Above ... Bancroft/ Cook

Before the throne of God above,
I have a strong, a perfect plea,
a great High Priest whose name is "Love,"
Who lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
my name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heav'n He stands,
no tongue can bid me thence depart.
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair,
and tells me of the guilt within,
upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
my sinful soul is counted free;

for God, the Just, is satisfied
to look on Him & pardon me, to look on Him & pardon me.

Behold Him there! The risen Lamb,
my perfect, spotless Righteousness,
the great unchangeable I AM,
the King of glory and of grace!
One with Himself I cannot die,
my soul is purchased by His blood;
my life is hid with Christ on high,
with Christ, my Savior and my God,
with Christ, my Savior and my God.

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION &
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 103:10-12

'He has not dealt with us according to our sins...
for as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is His lovingkindness
toward those who fear Him.
As far as the east is from the west,
so far has He removed our transgressions from us.'

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 139:1-18 & 23-24
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MISSIONS UPDATE Pastor Bryan Wright
PRAYER OF INTERCESSION &
LORD'S PRAYER

DECLARATION OF FAITH: Apostles' Creed (pg 845)

OFFERING
DOXOLOGY

SONG OF PREPARATION

❖ *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less. . . . Hymn #521.*
(Children 10 and under come forward during last verse
for the Children's Message)

PREACHING OF THE WORD Pastor Bryan Wright
Children's Message

Acts 23:11-35
"The God of All Our Circumstances"

SONG OF RESPONSE

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

BENEDICTION Pastor Bryan Wright

POSTLUDE

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