

The Lord's Day ~ January 10, 2021

God Calls Us to Worship & Welcomes Us

Psalm 117

¹Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!
²For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

Praise the Lord!

Seeking God's Blessing On Our Worship

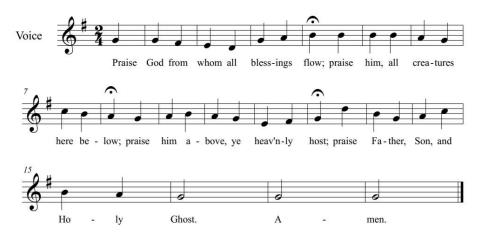


"Show Me the Way from Your Word" by Philip Doddridge

Blessed God, I humbly adore you as the great Father of lights, and the Giver of every good and perfect gift (James 1:17). I seek every blessing from you, and especially those which would lead me to yourself, and prepare me for the eternal enjoyment of you in glory.

And so, search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts; see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting (Psalm 139:23-24). Renew me in the spirit of my mind (Ephesians 4:24). Give me a new heart, and place a new spirit within me (Ezekiel 34:26). Make me a partaker of the divine nature, escaping the corruption in the world on account of sinful desire (2 Peter 1:4). As you are holy, make me to be holy in all I do and say (1 Peter 1:15). Cause the same mind to be in me which was also in Christ Jesus (Philippians 2:5), and enable me to walk in the same way in which he walked (1 John 2:6). Deliver me from setting my mind on the sinful flesh, which is death; but make me spiritually-minded, since that is life and peace (Romans 8:6). While I pass through this world, equip me to walk by faith and not by sight (2 Corinthians 5:7), and to be strong in faith, giving glory to you, O God (Romans 4:20). Grant your grace to teach me to reject ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly and righteously (Titus 2:11-12). Work in my heart the kind of godliness which is profitable for all things (1 Timothy 4:8). Teach me by the influence of your Almighty Spirit to love you with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength (Mark 12:30). Enable me to yield myself to you, as I have been brought from death to life through the resurrection power of your Son (Romans 6:13), and to present my body as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable in your sight, which is my reasonable service in light of your great mercy in Christ (Romans 12:1). I pray for these things in the name of Jesus, my Redeemer. Amen.

Presenting & Dedicating Our Offerings to the Lord



¹I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.

²Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

³The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.

⁴Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray, deliver my soul!"

⁵Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.

⁶The Lord preserves the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me.

⁷Return, O my soul, to your rest; for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.

8For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling;

⁹I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

¹⁰I believed, even when I spoke: "I am greatly afflicted";

"I said in my alarm, "All mankind are liars."

¹²What shall I render to the Lord for all his benefits to me?

¹³I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord,

¹⁴I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

¹⁵Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

¹⁶O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the son of your maidservant. You have loosed my bonds.

¹⁷I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord.

¹⁸I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people,

¹⁹in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem.

Praise the Lord!

Matthew 26:30-35

³⁰And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. ³¹Then Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of me this night. For it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' ³²But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." ³³Peter answered him, "Though they all fall away because of you, I will never fall away." ³⁴Jesus said to him, "Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times." ³⁵Peter said to him, "Even if I must die with you, I will not deny you!" And all the disciples said the same.

"A Vital Lesson for Every Disciple Maker" January 10, 2021
After the consolations of the Upper Room, Jesus poses a hard but important lesson to His disciples, a lesson they must learn to carry the Gospel to the nations.
Know your weakness.
Know Christ's sufficiency.
We have proof that this lesson works.

* Responding to God's Word in Song

One There Is, above All Others



John Newton, 1779 mod.

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* God Dismisses Us with His Blessing



* Those who are able, please stand



Announcements

- After worship, enjoy fellowship downstairs, and then join us at 11:20 for Sunday School. The Adult Class meets in the Fellowship Hall, the Elementary Class (led by Amy Pisani) in Rm 102, the Middle School Class (led by Kurt Schumacher) in Rm 209, and the High School Class (led by Eric Runion) in Rm 300. Masks are needed while moving around the building, but may be removed when seated. For January & February, Adult Sunday School will be a **Sermon Forum**, in which the elders will lead a discussion to deepen our understanding & application of the sermon scripture passage.
- The **Sunday evening devotional** at 6 PM will continue our study of 2 Timothy, with tonight's passage being 2 Timothy 2:1-7 on the theme "The Only Way". The **Wednesday Evening Devotional** studying Esther continues this week at 7 PM.
- The **Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation** is scheduled for Monday, January 25th at 7 PM. The meeting will take place on Zoom, which the elders believe will allow for maximum participation by our members. Elders Doug Giebel & Elise van der Jagt, and Deacon Samuel VanScoter will be up for reelection. The Annual Report—which will include the proposed budget—will be available electronically and in print by next Sunday, the 17th. If you are not comfortable participating via Zoom, please speak with an elder to explore alternatives to enable you to take part. Thank you for your patience and prayers as we once again do what we've never done before!
- If you haven't done so already, please remember to fill out the **online survey** from the trustees regarding areas of ministry & vision for Cornerstone. See Rick Schumacher with questions.
- Ladies Bible Study resumes Friday the 15th at 9:30 AM. The meeting is on Zoom, please email Kathy Scarbrough at kescarbroo1@gmail.com for the Zoom invitation.
- Helping with this morning's service are: Jonathan Runion (musician), Dan Lash (usher), Richard Backus (sound) and Tony Pisani (video).

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