

The Lord's Day ~ November 22, 2020

God Calls Us to Worship & Welcomes Us

Isaiah 60:1

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

Praising God in Song

Arise, O God



God Speaks through His Word

¹May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

²that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

³Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

⁴Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations of the earth.

⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

⁶The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.

⁷God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

Presenting & Dedicating Our Offerings to the Lord



'Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. ²But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. ³And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

⁷But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. ¹¹For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

¹³Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

"The Church Resilient" November 22, 2020
It's been a hard year; how can we insure that as Christ's church "We do not lose heart"?
Recall the power behind our ministry
Grasp the strategy of our ministry
Focus on the purpose of our ministry
Trust the reward of our ministry

Seeking God's Blessing on the World-wide Outreach of the OPC

* Responding to God's Word in Song

O Church, Arise



Words & music by Keith Getty & Stuart Townend CCLI 82151

* God Dismisses Us with His Blessing



* Those who are able, please stand

Announcements

- This morning after the worship service we continue in-person **Sunday School** with classes for children and adults. Please enjoy fellowship on the front lawn or in the Dewey Ave end of the Fellowship Hall until 11:20 when classes begin. The Adult Class (taught by Elise van der Jagt) will meet around the tables on the kitchen end of the Fellowship Hall, the Elementary Class (taught by Amy Pisani) will meet in Rm 102, the Middle School Class (taught by Kurt Schumacher) will meet in Rm 209, and the High School Class (taught by Eric Runion) will meet in Rm 300. Rooms have been arranged for social distancing, and are supplied with hand sanitizer. Masks are needed while moving throughout the building, but may be removed when seated in the classrooms. A friendly reminder to wear masks properly by placing them over both nose and mouth.
- The **Sunday evening devotional** at 6 PM will continue a study of 2 Timothy, with tonight's passage being 2 Timothy 1:6-8 on the theme "The Spirit of Power"
- There is no Wednesday devotional this week. We'll resume on December 2nd.
- Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are due today. If you have any questions, please see Cathleen Schumacher.
- Our service this morning will focus on the **Thank Offering.** The Thank Offering is an important source of funding for the World-wide Outreach budget of our denomination. The Thank Offering theme for 2020 is *The Church Resilient.* Our denomination has produced helpful videos about the Thank Offering that are being posted each week at the bottom of the home page of our website—scroll all the way down to view them! Donations to the Thank Offering will be received through December 13th, either through checks made out to Cornerstone with "Thank Offering" in the memo line or through the Donations page of the website (being sure to use the drop down menu to choose Thank Offering).
- Helping with this morning's service are: Cathy Beich, Eliot Giebel, Luke Pisani (musicians), Dan Lash (usher), Richard Backus (sound) and Tony Pisani (video).

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