

WELCOME!



Worship
9:00 am & 10:30 am

Morning Worship

September 6, 2020

Reflections

God's sovereign and powerful work of salvation frees us to obey Him with joy. We do not have to suffer under the burden of having our own efforts measure up, for we obey in gratitude because Christ's faithfulness has satisfied the Lord's covenant. Our responsibility is real and obligatory and is yet the most freeing submission we have."

~ R.C. Sproul

The universe is an explosion of God's glory.

~ Lauren F. Winner

The Christian's motto should not be 'Let go and let God' but 'Trust God and get going.'

~ J.I. Packer

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship — Psalm 100:1-3

¹ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

² Serve the LORD with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

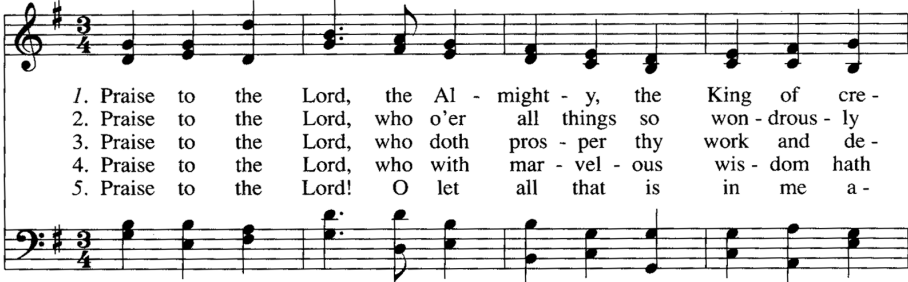
³ Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

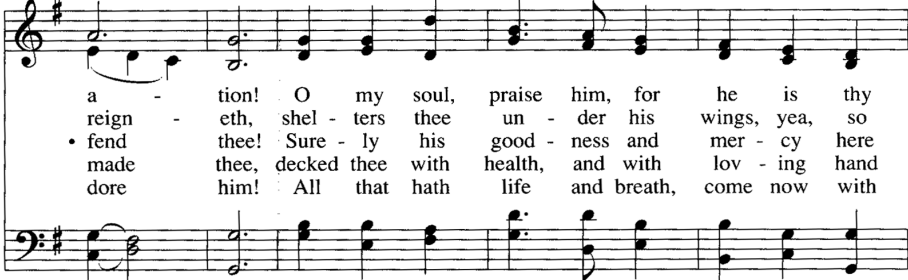
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Prayer of Adoration

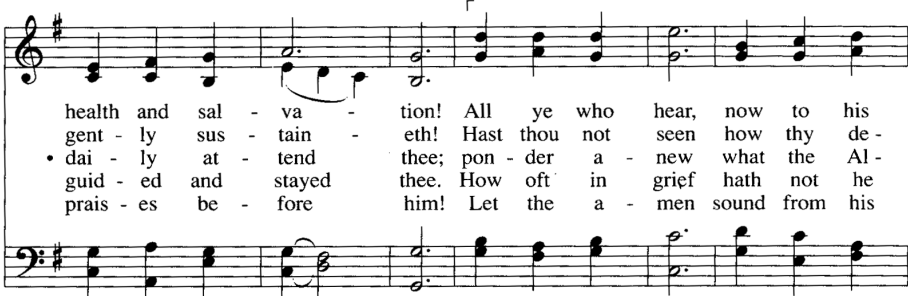
Hymn of Praise — Praise to the Lord




1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -
 4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath
 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 • fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here
 made thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 • dai - ly at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
 guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



tem - ple draw near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 • might - y will do, if with his love he be - friend thee.
 brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for - e'er we a - dore him.

Song of Praise — Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

Worship the LORD with gladness;

Come before him with joyful songs.

Know that the LORD is God.

It is he who made us and we are his.

We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving

And his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him and praise,

Praise his name. For the LORD is good

And his love endures forever;

His faithfulness continues through all

Through all generations.

Confession of Sin & Assurance of Pardon —

Isaiah 53:4-10 (responsive)

⁴ Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

⁵ **But he was pierced for our transgressions;**

he was crushed for our iniquities;

upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,

and with his wounds we are healed.

⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray;

we have turned—every one—to his own way;

and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

⁷ **He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,**

yet he opened not his mouth;

like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,

and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,

so he opened not his mouth.

⁸ **By oppression and judgment he was taken away;**

and as for his generation, who considered

that he was cut off out of the land of the living,

stricken for the transgression of my people?

⁹ And they made his grave with the wicked

and with a rich man in his death,

although he had done no violence,

and there was no deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰ **Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him;**

he has put him to grief;

when his soul makes an offering for guilt,

he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days;

the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

Response in Song — Power of the Cross

O, to see the dawn of the darkest day;
Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then
Nailed to a cross of wood.

O, to see the pain, written on Your face,
Bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed.
Crowning Your bloodstained brow... (chorus#1)

Chorus #1

*This the pow'r of the cross;
Christ became sin for us,
Took the blame, bore the wrath;
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath,
Quakes as its Maker bows His head.

Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life—
“Finished!” the victory cry. (chorus #1)

O, to see my name, written in the wounds,
For through Your suff'ring I am free.
Death is crushed to death! Life is mine to live,
Won through your selfless love! (chorus #2)

Chorus #2

*This is the pow'r of the cross;
Son of God, slain for us
What a love, what a cost!
We stand forgiven at the cross (repeat)*

Congregational Prayer

Offering*

**You can give on-line at the New Hope website: www.newhopeopc.org and
click on the green “give” button in the corner.*

Sermon Text — 2 Samuel 21:1-14

¹Now there was a famine in the days of David for three years, year after year. And David sought the face of the LORD. And the LORD said, “There is bloodguilt on Saul and on his house, because he put the Gibeonites to death.” ²So the king called the Gibeonites and spoke to them. Now the Gibeonites were not of the people of Israel but of the remnant of the Amorites. Although the people of Israel had sworn to spare them, Saul had sought to strike them down in his zeal for the people of Israel and Judah.

³And David said to the Gibeonites, “What shall I do for you? And how shall I make atonement, that you may bless the heritage of the LORD?”

⁴The Gibeonites said to him, “It is not a matter of silver or gold between us and Saul or his house; neither is it for us to put any man to death in Israel.” And he said, “What do you say that I shall do for you?” ⁵They said to the king, “The man who consumed us and planned to destroy us, so that we should have no place in all the territory of Israel, ⁶let seven of his sons be given to us, so that we may hang them before the LORD at Gibeah of Saul, the chosen of the LORD.” And the king said, “I will give them.”

⁷But the king spared Mephibosheth, the son of Saul's son Jonathan, because of the oath of the LORD that was between them, between David and Jonathan the son of Saul. ⁸The king took the two sons of Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, whom she bore to Saul, Armoni and Mephibosheth; and the five sons of Merab the daughter of Saul, whom she bore to Adriel the son of Barzillai the Meholahite; ⁹and he gave them into the hands of the Gibeonites, and they hanged them on the mountain before the LORD, and the seven of them perished together. They were put to death in the first days of harvest, at the beginning of barley harvest.

¹⁰Then Rizpah the daughter of Aiah took sackcloth and spread it for herself on the rock, from the beginning of harvest until rain fell upon them from the heavens. And she did not allow the birds of the air to come upon them by day, or the beasts of the field by night. ¹¹When David was told what Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, the concubine of Saul, had done,

¹²David went and took the bones of Saul and the bones of his son Jonathan from the men of Jabesh-gilead, who had stolen them from the public square of Beth-shan, where the Philistines had hanged them, on the day the Philistines killed Saul on Gilboa. ¹³And he brought up from there the bones of Saul and the bones of his son Jonathan; and they gathered the bones of those who were hanged. ¹⁴And they buried the bones of Saul and his son Jonathan in the land of Benjamin in Zela, in the tomb of Kish his father. And they did all that the king commanded. And after that God responded to the plea for the land.

Sermon — Substitutionary Atonement

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

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Substitutionary Atonement

2 Samuel 21:1-14

1. The Broken Covenant (vs 1-3)

2. The Sons' Substitute (vs 3-9)

3. Rizpah's Horror (vs10-14)

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Everyone should have a prepackaged bread and juice. It is not gluten free. If you do not have a prepacked container, please raise your hand at this time to allow the elders to come serve you.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all

crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:

praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Benediction

Postlude

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for John Wise and his family as they are away on vacation. Pray for a time of refreshment, joy, and relationship.
- Give thanks for the mercy that the Lord continually gives us despite the fact that we sin and fall short daily.
- Pray for those who struggle with fear that God will give grace to help them walk daily in light of his goodness and mercy, trusting Him, not giving in to the fear.
- Pray for our session that they will eagerly shepherd the flock, being good examples to them, as they lead and oversee them.
- Pray for the marriages and families at New Hope that Christ would be central, that love would abound, and grace would be offered freely.
- Pray for those who are expecting: Katie Poortenga (who is having twins), Lauren Mendez, and Colleen Forsee. Pray for the health and well-being of both moms and babies. Pray that these little ones will grow to love and serve the Lord all their days.
- Continue to pray for those who are struggling: the Vidal family, Scott Innes, Kim Hanlin's father, John & Muriel Hadidian's daughter-in-law, Karyn Lynerd's father, the Wright family, Bill Wright, Ron Oakes, Ed Rodatus and those who are grieving from the loss of loved ones. Pray for strength to bear their difficult trials.

Frederick Area

- Pray for the local ministries we support financially — CareNet Pregnancy Center, the Frederick Rescue Mission, and Child Evangelism Fellowship. Pray that the Lord will continue to sustain, provide for, and bless these ministries.
- Pray for the churches in Frederick that they will preach the truth that is only found in God's word. Pray that the Lord would thwart those who try twist and change the Word to suit their purposes.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our missionary of the month, Claire Hall, who will be heading to Scotland with 20Schemes soon. Please pray for the people living in Scotland's schemes (housing projects): that they would hear about Jesus, that the Lord would open their hearts to receive the Good News, and that there would be much Gospel fruit from the 20schemes churches' evangelism and discipleship.
- Continue to pray for Luke Hake as he is in training at Radius in Mexico. Pray for his health and safety as well as a solid time of learning and growing.
- Pray for Brad Myers as he serves with RUF at the University of NC at Wilmington. Pray especially for the student leaders that they will have unity, creativity, boldness, and that they would continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of their Savior.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Information for Fall, as we look ahead to the fall, we have the following information for you:

- **Sunday School**, currently there are no Sunday school classes during the fall semester for children or adults. (There is a very good possibility of offering an adults only, in person class at some point but not immediately). While we considered providing some virtual Sunday school lessons, the edification committee decided to provide you with resources that you can use for your family that are free and very good.
 - Ligonier Ministries, you can find many free resources and teaching series at Ligonier.org.
 - Great Commissions Publications, the ministry that provides our children's Sunday school curriculum has resources for parents that are either free or for charge at gcp.org
 - Another option for children would be to use some of the Sunday school curriculum we have on file at the church. If you are interested in something, please contact Giny in the office.
- **Worship Services**, as long as weather permits, we will continue to hold two worship services:
 - 9:00 am service, outdoors on the lower parking lot under a tent. This service will run until 10:00 am and will be "mask optional." We ask that people continue to social distance during worship.
 - 10:30 am service, indoors and livestreamed. This service will be the usual service and will continue to require masks.
- **Wednesday Night Bible Study**, will continue to zoom this Bible study.
- **Saturday Children's Message**, every Saturday at 4:00 pm, Pastor Francis does a Children's Church message on Facebook live.
- **Youth Activities**, there are plans to do a youth retreat in the fall as well as other activities. Stay tuned for details.

Fellowship Picnic, Come and join us for an outdoor church picnic on Sunday, September 20th directly following the 10:30a.m. service! We will enjoy fellowship with each other in the lower parking lot. We are asking everyone to bring their own lunch and drinks. Feel free to also bring your own chairs and tents. The church will be setting up some tables and chairs as well.

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text — 2 Samuel 22:6: ⁵“For the waves of death encompassed me, the torrents of destruction assailed me: ⁶**the cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death confronted me.**

Westminster Larger Catechism 113. What are the sins forbidden in the third commandment (not take God's name in vain)? ...*Not using God's name, titles, attributes, ordinances or works as is required; all sinful cursings, oaths, vows; violating our oaths and vows; murmuring and quarrelling at, curious prying into, and misapplying of God's decrees and providences; misinterpreting, misapplying, or in any way perverting the Word..., or the maintaining of false doctrines; the maligning, scorning, reviling, or anywise opposing of God's truth, grace, and ways; a shame to God's truth, by unbecomable, unwise, unfruitful, and offensive walking, or backsliding from it.*

Monday: 2 Samuel 21:1-3. How do you see God's kindness in v 1? How had Saul broken the third commandment? What statement did this make about God? How serious was this (Gen 9:9, Num 35:33, Lev 26:20)? What are some ways we break the third commandment (see WLC 113 above)? Where are we privileged to bring our sin and guilt (Heb 9:14-15)? Are you doing this?

Tuesday: 2 Samuel 21:1-3. What are some of the promises (e.g. marriage, purchases, commitments) that you have made in your life. What do you learn from his passage about the importance of keeping our promises regardless of inconvenience, time, or cost (Josh 9:3-17, 20)? How does it strengthen and encourage you in real life to know God never breaks his promises (2 Cor 1:20, 2 Cor 5:17)?

Wednesday: 2 Samuel 21:3-9. It seems Saul had murdered many Gibeonites who had become part of Israel. How does Num 35:33 help explain why 7 of his descendants are hung? Although this leave us with many questions, consider David's question about making atonement in v 3. This is a picture of substitutionary atonement -Christ substituting himself for us, taking on our sin that we might be received. Read Isaiah 53: 4-10 and soberly give thanks.

Thursday: 2 Sam 21:7-11. Imagine you are Rizpah. How painful and horrible would those days be? The cross too should leave us both filled with wonder and horror. “What do we lose if we often think about the theology of the cross, but rarely stand at the actual scene depicted?” Consider Christ in Mt 27:27-50.

Friday: 2 Sam 21:10-14. How does Rizpah honor the slain men? What does this prompt David to do? This chapter leaves us sober and sad at the results of covenant breaking. Linger there. Lament this before the Lord. Then give thanks for Christ the covenant keeper and recommit to live for him.

Saturday: Read 2 Sam 21:15-22. Why might these verses be included near the end of David's history at told in 2 Samuel?

