

WELCOME!



Worship
9:00 am & 10:30 am

Morning Worship

July 18, 2021

Reflections

"God is too good to be unkind and He is too wise to be mistaken. And when we cannot trace His hand, we must trust His heart. When you are so weak that you cannot do much more than cry, you coin diamonds with both your eyes. The sweetest prayers God ever hears are the groans and sighs of those who have no hope in anything but His love."

~ C.H. Spurgeon

Keeping prayer fixed on the glory of God helps us avoid trivial prayers.

~ Phil Ryken

Whenever we so lose ourselves in prayer as to forget personal interest, and to plead for the glory of God, we have reached a vantage ground from which we can win anything from Him.

~ F.B. Meyer

A church will not see the lost coming to Christ by dozens and hundreds until Christians learn so to "agonize in prayer.... for the multitude of souls."

~ Ryken, quoting David Brainerd

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship — Psalm 118:19-29 (responsive)

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰ **This is the gate of the LORD;
the righteous shall enter through it.**

²¹ **I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.**

²² The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

²³ This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴ **This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

- ²⁵ Save us, we pray, O LORD!
O LORD, we pray, give us success!
- ²⁶ **Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!**
We bless you from the house of the LORD.
- ²⁷ The LORD is God,
and he has made his light to shine upon us.
Bind the festal sacrifice with cords,
up to the horns of the altar!
- ²⁸ **You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;**
you are my God; I will extol you.
- ²⁹ **Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;**
for his steadfast love endures forever!

Hymn of Praise — King of Grace

We have come to a throne of grace
Where our mighty Savior perfects our praise
Where wrath and judgment have been put away
Where not a trace of all our sin remains

*You're the King of grace unending
To Your open arms we run
You're the King of Grace unending
And we rest in Your unfailing love
And we rest in Your unfailing love*

We have come to a throne of grace
Where our Prince of Peace ever lives to pray
For those his sacrifice has bought and saved
Where saints and angels sing eternal praise

Prayer of Adoration

Song of Praise — Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Savior He will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, His power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For He has said that He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

Confession of Sin — Matthew 6:5-8, James 4:2-3

⁵“And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ⁶But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ⁷“And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. ⁸Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

²You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.

Assurance of Pardon — Romans 8:26-27, 33-34

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

³³Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

Hymn of Response — What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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Offering* **Matthew 6:19-21** ¹⁹“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

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Congregational Prayer

Sermon Text — Exodus 30:1-10

“You shall make an altar on which to burn incense; you shall make it of acacia wood. ²A cubit shall be its length, and a cubit its breadth. It shall be square, and two cubits shall be its height. Its horns shall be of one piece with it. ³You shall overlay it with pure gold, its top and around its sides and its horns. And you shall make a molding of gold around it. ⁴And you shall make two golden rings for it. Under its molding on two opposite sides of it you shall make them, and they shall be holders for poles with which to carry it. ⁵You shall make the poles of acacia wood and overlay them with gold. ⁶And you shall put it in front of the veil that is above the ark of the testimony, in front of the mercy seat that is above the testimony, where I will meet with you. ⁷And Aaron shall burn fragrant incense on it. Every morning when he dresses the lamps he shall burn it, ⁸and when Aaron sets up the lamps at twilight, he shall burn it, a regular incense offering before the LORD throughout your generations. ⁹You shall not offer unauthorized incense on it, or a burnt offering, or a grain offering, and you shall not pour a drink offering on it. ¹⁰Aaron shall make atonement on its horns once a year. With the blood of the sin offering of atonement he shall make atonement for it once in the year throughout your generations. It is most holy to the LORD.”

Sermon — The Altar of Prayer

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Benediction

Postlude

The Altar of Prayer

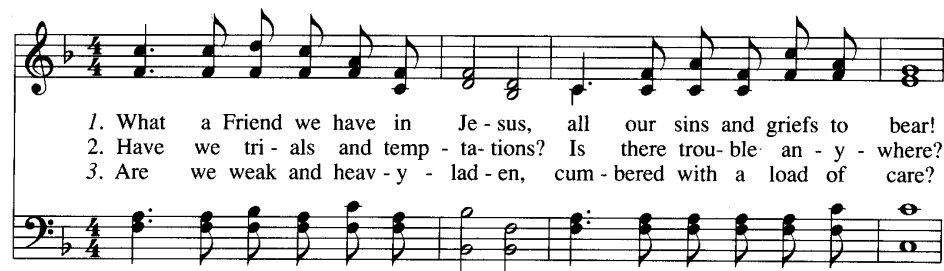
Exodus 30:1-10

1. The Altar of Incense (Ex 30:1-6)

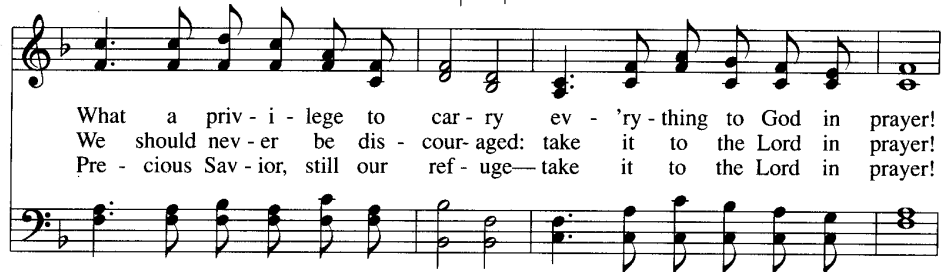
2. The Altar of Prayer (Ex 30:6-9)

3. Jesus and the Altar (Ex 30:10)

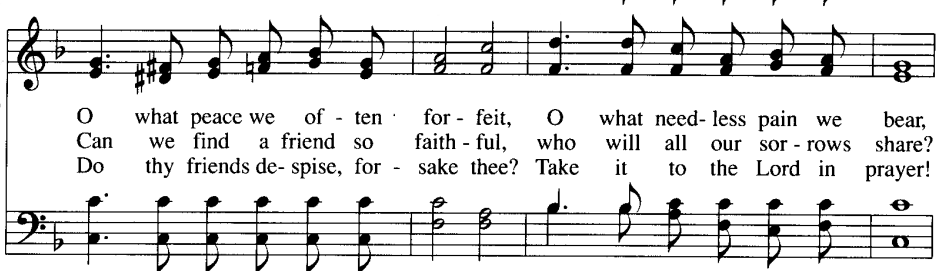
Hymn of Response — What a Friend We Have in Jesus



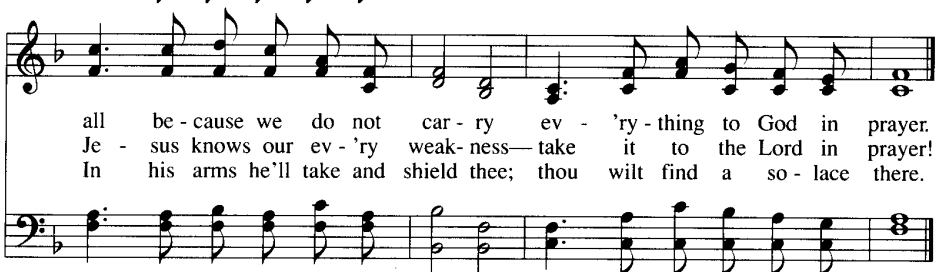
1. What a Friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2. Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
3. Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged: take it to the Lord in prayer!
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—take it to the Lord in prayer!



O what peace we of - ten for - feit, O what need - less pain we bear,
Can we find a friend so faith - ful, who will all our sor - rows share?
Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer.
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so - lace there.

Joseph Scriven, ca. 1855

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Charles C. Converse, 1868

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for our session as they shepherd the flock of God. Pray that they will be faithful servants, diligent disciples of Jesus, and lovers and protectors of the flock.
- Pray for our presbytery and the men from the various churches who make up this governing body. Pray for wisdom in decision making, hearts of service, and humbleness in leading.
- Pray for Kim Hanlin and her brother as they make decision regarding her father as his health declines. Pray that her dad would come know the Lord with a saving faith and that Kim will have wisdom to know how best to help him.
- Pray that the Lord will provide people to serve in the different ministries in need: meals coordinator, outreach, children's church, and deacon/lay deacon.
- Pray that we will be a people who agonize over the lost in prayer. Give thanks that, because of Jesus and His sacrifice for us, we can bring all things to God in prayer.
- Pray for Ellen Socash & Garrett Kennedy as they prepare for their wedding in September. Pray that they will draw closer to Christ and each other as they work through the details and plans for the wedding.
- Continue to pray for those who are struggling: Barbara & Charles Ruch, Patti Deschamps, John Hardison, Jen Bridenbaugh, Charles Ruch, Jen William's brother, Mike, Christopher Burden, the Vidal family, John & Muriel Hadidian's daughter-in-law, 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 missions that we support financially: CareNet Pregnancy Center, Child Evangelism Fellowship, and the Frederick Rescue Mission. Pray that God will continue to provide for all their needs.
- Pray that the Lord gives opportunity to share the hope of the gospel with neighbors, friends, co-workers and family that do not know Him.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our mission of the month — Short Term Missions within the OPC. Pray for those who give of their time and talents to go to areas in the United States that are suffering from disasters. Pray that the Lord would provide both funding and workers to continue this vital ministry.
- Pray for Joel Chism as he serves at the Boardwalk Chapel this summer. Give thanks for the good reports of the impact his service is having. Pray for continued spiritual growth and trust in the Lord.
- Pray for Jehoash Presbyterian Church, a church mission work in Catlett, VA that they will continue to grow in faith and in numbers. Pray, too, for their stated pulpit supply, Pastor Gerald Malkus, as he serves this congregation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Dates to Know:

- **Wednesday Bible study for youth**, 6:00-8:30 pm
- **Bible Club**, July 12-14, 6:30-8:00 pm at the church
- **Keys Game**, Friday, July 30th, 7:00 pm

Outdoor Service Information, the 9:00 am outdoor service will continue through the end of July but beginning in August we will return to one indoor service at 10:30 am.

Outreach Committee members, are you interested in missions (foreign or local)? We'd love to have you be a part of the Outreach Committee. Contact Ann Burden or Giny Socash for more information.

Meals Coordinator, a person to coordinate meals for those in need (i.e. after having a baby, after surgery, etc.) is needed. This is a great part-time ministry. It requires little time/effort but is huge blessing to those who need it. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Pastor Francis.

Wednesday Night Lay-Deacon Training, Dear congregation, do you enjoy serving and caring for others, displaying Jesus' mercy and compassion to others? Then come to our Lay-Deacon training classes, every other Wednesday night starting September 22nd, 2021. We'll discuss topics to further equip you to come alongside deacons, champion mercy and care to the congregation, and thoughtfully serve others. If you're interested, please talk to Pastor Francis. This will run about 7-8 weeks through the fall.

Good News Clubs, Reaching out to Kids! The Good News Club is an after-school Bible club held at Ballenger Creek Elementary School, and led by New Hope. We are looking for new team members so we can pull this off. Every Thursday from 3:30-5pm we meet at the school and reach out to the kids. We'd love your help with any of the following: bible teaching; leading songs, games, memory verse; caring/welcoming; snack coordinating. The curriculum includes all you need. Please contact Valory Snyder for more information (valorysnyder@gmail.com, phone number).

Ladies Bible Study group, will be meeting on the second and fourth Wednesdays during the summer months. Come join us at 10:00 a.m. for devotions, prayer and fellowship in the lower building, Sunday School classroom # 3.

New Hope at the Keys, Game is Fri July 30 7pm against the Trenton Thunder, fireworks will follow the game. Reserved Seating Group prices are, Adults \$10, Youth 3-12 \$7, 3 and under are free on an adult's lap but include their number in your ticket order. Deadline to purchase tickets thru New Hope is TODAY, if we do not have 25 sold by then the event will be canceled. Contact Monica Laird, 410.963.6522 or monlaird@gmail.com with questions about.

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text: Hebrews 4:14-16 ¹⁴Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Westminster Larger Catechism 181: Why are we to pray in the name of Christ? *The sinfulness of man, and his distance from God by reason thereof, being so great, as that we can have no access into his presence without a mediator; and there being none in heaven or earth appointed to, or fit for, that glorious work but Christ alone, we are to pray in no other name but his only.*

Monday: Ex 30:1-8. What did the incense altar look like? Of what do its shape and horns remind you (27:1-2)? Where was the altar placed (6)? Why might that be very sober for the priest serving at the altar? How did the incense work (Lev 16:12f)? How would this make the Holy Place smell? How is God's presence fragrant, sweet, and pleasing (e.g. 2 Cor 2:14)?

Tuesday: Ex 30:1, 7-8. For what was this altar used? Did they offer anything else on it (v 8, Lev 10:1ff)? Consider Ps 141:1-2, Lk 1:9, 10, 13, Rev 5:8, 8:3, 4. What did the altar symbolize? Both the people and the priests prayed. Consider how our Living Priest prays for us (Heb 7:25, Rom 8:34, 8:26-28). Praise him for such care and love!

Wednesday: Ex 30:1-10, Ps 141:1-2. In Jesus we stand right before God in all his glory and holiness, and come as a child to his Father. This is a high privilege. Spend some time praying, thanking God for this privilege. Pray through a Psalm, going verse by verse and reflecting on it in prayer to God (maybe Ps 23, or Ps 36).

Thursday: According to Ex 30:10, what had to happen every year? When and how did this happen (Lev 16:34, 11-14)? Why does sin have to be dealt with prior to prayer being heard? How has atonement been made for your sin (Heb 4:14-5:2, 8-9)? Why then do we pray in Jesus' name? In to what does Heb 4:16 invite you? Spend some time before the throne of grace.

Friday: What does God invite his children to do in Ex 30:1-10? If he has provided the way for us to approach him, and adopted us into his family, is there any way he listens half-heartedly, or begrudgingly? Believe that God loves to hear from his children: Ps 40:1, Mt 6:8, Is 49:16, Rom 8:39, Heb 4:14-16. Go to him in faith that he delights in the prayers of his people.

Saturday: Ex 25:10-22. What makes the ark unique? What did it symbolize?



Serving Today (7/18):

9:00 am: Usher/ Greeter : Jim Auldrige, Matt & Aimee Byrd

10:30 am

- Nursery: Joli Chism, Hannah Vidal, Samantha VanDelden
- Sound: Lance Duvall
- Livestream: Jim Washburne

Serving Next Week (7/25):

9:00 am: Usher/Greeter: Wayne Greenfield, Brian & Ann Burden

10:30 am:

- Nursery: Karl Koops, Monica Laird, Jessie VanDelden
- Sound: Bell Wetzel
- Livestream: Craig Lalley