THE LORD'S DAY August 27, 2023

Prelude

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:55 AM)

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Psalm* 97:9-12

*INVOCATION

*HYMN: Trinity 521 - My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

CORPORATE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION OF SIN

Minister: O God of grace, in Your mercy You have given the righteousness of Your Son to those who are in Christ.

All: But we confess that we have often tried to please You with our own righteousness instead of pleading the righteousness of Christ.

Minister: We have tried to cover our sins by becoming "better" Christians rather than receiving forgiveness through His blood.

All: Merciful Father, continue to cleanse our darkened hearts with the light of Your gospel.

Minister: Help us not to fear the cleansing work of Your Spirit but make us eager for it. All: Help us to rejoice that we are daily being conformed to the image and righteousness of our Savior Jesus Christ, for we pray in His name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Romans 3:22b-26

*GLORIA PATRI - Trinity 735

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Westminster Larger Catechism Q. 194

Q. 194. What do we pray for in the fifth petition?

A. In the fifth petition, (which is, Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,) acknowledging, that we and all others are guilty both of original and actual sin, and thereby become debtors to the justice of God; and that neither we, nor any other creature, can make the least satisfaction for that debt; we pray for ourselves and others, that God of his free grace would, through the obedience and satisfaction of Christ, apprehended and applied by faith, acquit us both from the guilt and punishment of sin, accept us in his Beloved, continue his favour and grace to us, pardon out daily failings, and fill us with peace and joy, in giving us daily more and more assurance of forgiveness; which we are the rather imboldened to ask, and encouraged to expect, when we have this testimony in ourselves, that we from the heart forgive others their offences.

CONGREGATIONAL SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 119:137-144 (Insert)

HYMN: Bible Songs 257 (Psa. 119) - True Love for the Word

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*HYMN: Insert - Before the Throne of God Above

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON TEXT: Revelation 2:18-29 (p. 1029, LP p. 1219)

SERMON: "According to Your Works"

*HYMN: Trinity 378 - Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face (Stanzas 1-3)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (Bread is gluten free; Wine is on the outer ring)

*HYMN: Trinity 378 - Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face (Stanzas 4-5)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY - Trinity 731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

May the peace of God, our heav'nly Father, and the grace of Christ, the risen Son, And the fellowship of God the Spirit, keep our hearts and minds within his love. And to him be praise for his glorious reign from the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n, We declare the name of the Lamb once slain, Christ eternal, the King of Kings.

Postlude

*Please stand, if able

If you are visiting with us, please complete a **Visitor's Card** and place it in the offering plate. Thank you! If you need **prayer**, an **elder** is available following the service by the door to the anteroom.