

Morning Worship – 10:00 AM

January 10, 2021

Welcome and Announcements

Musical Prelude

ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship (Pastor)

Psalm 100:1-5

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! 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. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Prayer of Adoration (Pastor)

The Lord's Prayer (Congregation)

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 of Praise**

All Creatures of Our God and King

***Confession of Faith** *(from Luther's Small Catechism, 2nd Article)*

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord; who has redeemed me, a lost creature, secured and delivered me even from my sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with silver and gold, but with His holy, precious blood, and with His innocent sufferings and death; in order that I might be His own, live under Him in His kingdom, and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence and blessedness, even as He is risen from the dead, and lives and reigns forever. This is most certainly true.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND THANKSGIVING

Scripture Reading (Pastor)

Mark 1:1-15

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, "Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way, the voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You

are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.” The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

Confession of Sin (Congregation)

Lord God, we have sinned and done wrong; we have committed wickedness. Hear in heaven Your dwelling place our prayer and our supplication, and maintain our cause. Forgive Your people who have sinned against You, and all our transgressions which we have transgressed against You. Grant us compassion, for You separated us from all the peoples of the earth to be Your inheritance. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen. (*from 1 Kings 8*)

Assurance of God’s Pardoning Grace (Pastor)

In [Christ] we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace.
(*Ephesians 1:7*)

Prayer of Intercession

Rev. Chris Brown

Assistant Pastor

PROVISION FOR LIFE AND GROWTH

Scripture Reading (Pastor)

Genesis 1:1-2

¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

Prayer of Illumination (Pastor)

Sermon

Rev. Sean McCann

Senior Pastor

“In the Beginning”

(*Genesis: God’s Promise to Bless, 1*)

***Hymn of Response**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

***Benediction (Pastor)**

2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**Congregation Standing*

Evening Worship—6:00 PM
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Call to Worship

***Hymn of Adoration** O Day of Rest and Gladness

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Confession of Faith** *Heidelberg Catechism, Q48-49*

Question 48: But are the two natures in Christ not separated from each other if His human nature is not present wherever His divinity is?

Answer: Not at all, for His divinity has no limits and is present everywhere. So it must follow that His divinity is indeed beyond the human nature which He has taken on and nevertheless is within this human nature and remains personally united with it.

Question 49: How does Christ's ascension into heaven benefit us?

Answer: First, He is our Advocate in heaven before His Father. Second, we have our flesh in heaven as a sure pledge that He, our Head, will also take us, His members, up to Himself. Third, He sends us His Spirit as a counter-pledge, by whose power we seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God, and not the things that are on earth.

Scripture Reading Job 1:1-12

Prayer of Confession and Intercession

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Sermon Rev. Chris Brown

Assistant Pastor

*“Loving a Fault-Filled Church”
(1 Corinthians: Built to Unify, 1)*

***Hymn of Response** Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

***Benediction**

** Congregation Standing*