Worship for 7 June 2020

Wide as the Ocean

Week 3 - The Gift of Thanksgiving

Welcome

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Hymn 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Chorus
Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Chorus

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger Your name is great and Your heart is kind For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing The end draws near and my time has come Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Chorus

Chorus x 2

Confession of Sins

As we come into God's presence, it is good for us to confess our sins to our God. It is good for us to confess our sins of doing and our sins of not doing. It is good to confess our sins of silence and a failure to speak out when love requires it. It is good to confess our sins of speaking when it is love to keep quiet. It is good for us to

confess our sins of failing to thank God even in suffering and in crisis. Yes, the Lord is good even in trial, yet we have not thanked him for his goodness and for who he is. Let us, then, bow our heads before our Triune God, and cast our sins upon him begging for his mercy.

I confess to God almighty and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my own grievous fault; therefore, I beg God almighty to have mercy on me, to cleanse me of all my sins, and to grant me eternal life.

Forgiveness of Sins

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. Your Father in heaven knew you before you were born. In love, before you entered this world, he gave his Son to redeem and rescue you from all of your sins. Yes, in the fulness, his own dear Son took up your sins as his very own and bore them all the way to the cross. Now, his Son comes to you and bring his Spirit saying, "Receive the Holy Spirit! If you forgive anyone's sins they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven. Your God – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit – has removed your guilt. You have no more shame.

Peace be with you.

C Amen

Assurance from the Psalms

1 Praise the Lord.

Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens.

- 2 Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness.
- 3 Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre,
- 4 praise him with timbrel and dancing, praise him with the strings and pipe, 5 praise him with the clash of cymbals,
- praise him with resounding cymbals.
- 6 Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord.

Psalm 150

Song of Praise #234 - Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation! Let all who hear Now to his temple draw near, Joining in glad adoration! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

3 Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you, Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.
What need or grief Ever has failed of relief? Wings of his mercy did shade you.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

5 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen Sound from his people again;
Gladly forever adore him!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen All that is needful has been Sent by his gracious ordaining?
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

4 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do As with his love he befriends you.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God and Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, filling and renewing all creation by your eternal Spirit, and manifesting your saving grace through our Lord Jesus Christ: in mercy cleanse our hearts and lips that, free from doubt and fear, we may ever worship you, one true immortal God, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, living and reigning, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Hymn 353 - Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

1 Praise the one who breaks the darkness With a liberating light;
Praise the one who frees the pris'ners,
Turning blindness into sight.
Praise the one who preached the gospel,
Healing ev'ry dread disease,
Calming storms and feeding thousands
With the Father's word of peace.

2 Praise the one who blessed the children With a strong, yet gentle, word; Praise the one who drove out demons With the piercing, two-edged sword. Praise the one who brings cool water To the desert's burning sand; From this well comes living water, Quenching thirst in ev'ry land.

3 Let us praise the Word incarnate, Christ, who suffered in our place; Jesus died and rose victorious That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and gladness, Seeing what our God has done; Let us praise the true Redeemer, Praise the one who makes us one

Sermon – 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (see the sermon/sermon notes)

Nicene Creed – spoken responsively

- L: In a world that has difficulty believing in the one true God, but is so ready to believe that our universe happened by some unknown accident or by a random combination of amino acids, what do you believe?
- G: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
- L: In a society that often teaches that Jesus was just a great human teacher, a wise prophet or just one of many ways to get to heaven, what do you believe?
- G: We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.

- L: Across our created world, many falsely put their trust in things or in sinful human people, which only leads to hell and destruction. What do you believe? What do you believe about Jesus that proves He has conquered death and is true God just as He said?
- G: For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
- L: Those who refuse to trust the Lord are without hope. What do you believe that gives you hope now and for eternity?
- G: We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offering – We will take a moment to thank God for his gifts and, at home, to consider how we will worship with our offerings to the Lord. (You can mail your offerings to the church office or online: www.TheMountMKE.com/give) This is one of the ways that we express our partnership in this gospel ministry.

Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Hymn 463 v 1 – Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult 326 v 1-3 – May the Grace of Christ Our Savior

1 Jesus calls us o'er the tumult Of our life's wild, restless sea; Day by day his voice invites us, Saying, "Christian, follow me!"

1 May the grace of Christ our Savior And the Father's boundless love With the Holy Spirit's favor Rest upon us from above.

2 So may we abide in union With each other and the Lord, Gathered here in blest communion By the power of his Word.

3 Now with all the saints in heaven Thanks and praise to you we sing, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One, our triune King.

Blessing

Announcements: See "The Mount Weekly" for additional announcements. You are invited to join us at 10:30 for a time of zoom fellowship and prayer.

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