

The Lord's Day
January 3, 2021

Sunday Morning Worship ~ 10:30 A.M.
Presiding Minister – The Reverend Mr. Ross Hodges
Assisting Minister – The Reverend Mr. Lee Bloodworth

Thoughts upon entering the Sanctuary: “...*salvation belongeth unto the Lord; he has power to save, be the danger ever so great; it is his prerogative to save, when all other helps and succours fail; it is his pleasure, it is his property, it is his promise to those that are his, whose salvation is not of themselves, but of the Lord. Therefore all that have the Lord for their God, according to the tenour of the new covenant, are sure of salvation; for he that is their God is the God of salvation.*”

-Matthew Henry on Psalm 3

Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

Call to Worship

*The Hymn 30 “*Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*” (v. 1-7) ST ANNE CM

*The Invocation & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which 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 for ever, Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q/A 1 & 2

Q1: What is your only comfort in life and death? A: “That with body and soul, both in life and death, I am not my own, but belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who, with His precious blood, has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; yes, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready, henceforth to live to Him.”

Q2: How many things are necessary for you to know, that you, enjoying this comfort, may live and die happily? A: “Three: the first, how great my sins and miseries are, the second, how I may be delivered from all my sins and miseries; the third, how I shall express my gratitude to God for such deliverance.”

*The Gloria Patri

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.

The Pastoral Prayer

The Public Reading of Scripture: Genesis 19:1-22

*The Hymn 168 “*I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*” (v. 1-5) TOULON

Special Music “*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*” Arr. Cindy Berry

The Sermon “Salvation Belongs to the Lord”
Psalm 3

*The Psalter p. 2 Psalm 3 (v. 1-8) NEW BRITAIN

The Invitation to the Table

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Benediction

Postlude “*Lift High the Cross*” Arr. Cindy Berry

Welcome to Eastwood

Our church extends a cordial welcome to all who worship with us this morning. Visitors are asked to please sign the visitor's register in the pew pad and provide us the requested information so that we might welcome you. We are delighted to have you with us this Lord's Day!

The Lord's Day Evening Worship

January 3, 2021

5:30 P.M.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

*The Hymn 310 “*Rejoice, the Lord Is King*” (v. 1-5) DARWALL

1. Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say rejoice! 2. Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say rejoice! 3. His kingdom cannot fail, he rules o'er earth and heav'n; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say rejoice! 4. He sits at God's right hand till all his foes submit, and bow to his command, and fall beneath his feet. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say rejoice! 5. Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come, and take his servants up to their eternal home. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say rejoice!

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Our Father which 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 for ever, Amen.

The Public Reading of Scripture: Psalm 72

Missions Moment

Congregational Prayer

*The Hymn 441 “*Jesus Shall Reign*” (v. 1-5) DUKE STREET

1. Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does his successive journeys run; his Kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more. 2. To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head; his name, like sweet perfume, shall rise with every morning sacrifice. 3. People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name. 4. Blessings abound where'er he reigns; the pris'ner leaps to lose his chains, the weary find eternal gain, and all the sons of want are blest. 5. Let every creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our King; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen!

The Sermon “Thy Kingdom Come” Rev. Lee Bloodworth
Psalm 2; Matthew 6:5-15

*The Hymn 195 “Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come” (v. 1-4) ANTIOCH

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth receive her King; let every heart prepare him room, and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and heav'n, and nature sing. 2. Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns: let men their songs employ; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy. 3. No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground; he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found. 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

*Benediction

Announcements

Psalm/Hymn of the Month:

In order to aid our congregation, and our covenant children in particular, in becoming more familiar and comfortable with the theologically rich and biblically faithful psalms and hymns that we sing, we are beginning the practice of having a psalm or hymn of the month. Each month we will highlight a psalm or hymn that we will sing several times, and we will provide handouts for you to take home and links to the music through the weekly emails. We encourage everyone to use the month to sing through the psalm or hymn regularly, meditating on the truths of Scripture that the song expresses. We also encourage families to make use of these songs in their family worship, using the month as a time when their children can memorize many of the verses through repetition. May 2021 be a year when we begin to hide God's Word in our heart through song!

COVID Precautions Reminder

With the recent rise in COVID-19 infections in our community, we want to remind you of a few precautions we have suggested during the worship services.

Distancing: Sit only in the pews marked with blue tape and sit toward the aisle. By staggering the row seating, we can safely distance.

Masks: A face covering is most effective when worn while entering and leaving the church service and when talking and singing.

Illness: If you are feeling ill or have a fever on a Sunday morning, please stay home for the safety of your fellow church members and enjoy the service online.

WIC Winter Bible Study

The Women's Winter Bible Study will meet Tuesdays at 10am beginning Tuesday, January 12, 2021, in the Fellowship Hall. We will go through the book *Esther The Hidden Hand Of God*, by Lydia Brownback. Susan Dunn & Lain Hodges will co-lead this study. The book can be ordered through Amazon. We are working to make childcare available. If you plan to attend this study and will need childcare, please contact Lynn Grace at lynngrace@eastwoodchurch.org.

Reformation Book Club: A Theology of Remembrance

You are invited to a monthly book review of a Protestant Reformer. Our desire is to examine their life in regards to their Christian faith and courage. We meet from 7-8:15pm at Doug and Gertie Hudson's home (8921 Green Chase Drive, Montgomery). If you plan to attend or have questions contact Doug by phone (334.593.4599) or email (doug.gertie@yahoo.com). In January we will meet on the 14th to discuss our next book, *John Wycliffe: The Morning Star of the Reformation* by Luke Walker. This book can be found at wrathandgrace.com.

Save the Date/2021 Missions Conference

The dates for our Annual Missions Conference have been set! Please make sure to mark February 25th-28th on your calendar. You don't want to miss this wonderful event in the life of our church.

