

--THE LORD'S PRAYER---Caribbean (Matthew 6: 9-13)

Verse 1... Our Father who art in heaven.
Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done. Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 2...As in heaven, so on the earth.
Hallowed be Thy name. Give us this day our daily bread.
Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 3... And forgive us, Lord, our trespasses.
Hallowed be Thy name. As we forgive those who
trespass against us. Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 4...And lead us not into temptation.
Hallowed be Thy name. But deliver us from all evil.
Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 5... For Thine is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory. Hallowed be Thy name.
Forever and forevermore. Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 6...Amen, amen, it shall be so.
Hallowed be Thy name. Amen, amen, it shall be so.
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“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)” (Rom. 5:1-2)
Verse 1...Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, that saved
a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind but now I see.

Verse 2...”Twas Grace that taught my heart to fear,
and Grace my fears relieved. How precious did that
Grace appear, the hour I first believed.

Chorus...My chains are gone I’ve been set free. My God,
my Savior has ransomed me. And like a flood His mercy
reigns, unending love, Amazing Grace.

Verse 3...The Lord has promised good to me. His Word my
hope secures. He will my shield and portion be, as long as
life endures. Sing Chorus twice...

Verse 4...The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun
forbear to shine. But God who called me here below, will
be forever mine, will be forever mine. You are forever mine.

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“All Who Are Thirsty” (Revelation 21:6b; John 7:37-39)

Verse...All who are thirsty, all who are weak, come to the
fountain dip your heart in the stream of life. Let the pain and
the sorrow be washed away in the waves of His mercy as
deep cries out to deep.

Chorus...Come, Lord Jesus, come. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Repeat Verse and Chorus, then...
Holy Spirit, come. Holy Spirit, come.
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--BENEDICTION

--CLOSING SONG “Beauty of the Cross”

by Jonny Diaz
Verse 1...At the cross I find the beauty of Your matchless
grace. At the cross I see a King who died to take my place.
It’s the moment that You made me clean and pardoned my
soul. Amazing grace that I would be alive unto Your throne.
Not by my own will but solely by Your will alone. I’m unworthy
of this love You are showing to me. I see my desperate need.

Chorus...The beauty of the cross is that there’s One Who
has redeemed my soul. The beauty of the cross is that I’m
finally free and letting go. The beauty of the cross is that
Your grace has found me just as I am.

Verse 2...Not by my own words that I may boast or I may
come. But simply through Your Son, the sinless and Exalted
One. Only through the cross am I made clean to draw near
to You. Saved so that You would receive all glory due Your
name. Everlasting God from age to age You never change.
A true love story remains for all eternity that all the world
would see. Chorus...

Bridge...My sinful soul could only be redeemed by the blood
of a sinless King. So You came to the world that You had
made; conquered sin on the cross and You rose from the
grave. Chorus sung twice...

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P. Go in peace and serve the Lord!

C. Thanks be to God!

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THE CONNECTION

March 19, 2023
10:30am



--PRESERVICE SONG “Here I Am to Worship”

--WELCOME (please fill out the Friendship Pads)

--ANNOUNCEMENTS

--WORSHIP SONG

“The Wonderful Cross” (Galatians 6:14)

Verse 1...When I survey the wondrous cross on which the
Prince of Glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and
pour contempt on all my pride.

Verse 2...See from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow
and love flow mingled down; did e’er such love and sorrow
meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Bridge...O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross bids
me come and die and find that I may truly live. O the
wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross; All who gather
here by grace draw near and bless Your name.

Verse 3...Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were
an off’ring far too small. Love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all. Bridge...

Verse 4 (Ooo), then...Love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life my all.

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--INVOCATION

--CONFESSION OF SINS

P. Let us confess our sins to God and ask for His
forgiveness.

C. Almighty God, we live in the light of our Savior, but we are tempted by the darkness of sin. We follow our selfish desires. We turn from Your Word to listen to the temptations of the world. We fail to love others as we should because we do not let Jesus' light shine through our lives. Have mercy on us. Forgive our sins and turn our hearts and minds to the light of Jesus.

--FORGIVENESS OF SINS

--STATEMENT OF FAITH *Apostle's Creed*
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

--FIRST LESSON *Isaiah 42:14-21*

¹⁴For a long time I have held my peace;
I have kept still and restrained myself;
now I will cry out like a woman in labor;
I will gasp and pant.

¹⁵I will lay waste mountains and hills,
and dry up all their vegetation;
I will turn the rivers into islands,
and dry up the pools.

¹⁶And I will lead the blind
in a way that they do not know,
in paths that they have not known
I will guide them.

I will turn the darkness before them into light,
the rough places into level ground.

These are the things I do,
and I do not forsake them.

¹⁷They are turned back and utterly put to shame,
who trust in carved idols, (continued...)

who say to metal images,

"You are our gods."

¹⁸Hear, you deaf,
and look, you blind, that you may see!

¹⁹Who is blind but my servant,
or deaf as my messenger whom I send?

Who is blind as my dedicated one,
or blind as the servant of the LORD?

²⁰He sees many things, but does not observe them;
his ears are open, but he does not hear.

²¹The LORD was pleased, for his righteousness' sake,
to magnify his law and make it glorious.

--SECOND LESSON *Revelation 3:1-6*

¹"And to the angel of the church in Sardis write: 'The words of him who has the seven spirits of God and the seven stars.

"I know your works. You have the reputation of being alive, but you are dead. ²Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works complete in the sight of my God. ³Remember, then, what you received and heard. Keep it, and repent. If you will not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come against you. ⁴Yet you have still a few names in Sardis, people who have not soiled their garments, and they will walk with me in white, for they are worthy. ⁵The one who conquers will be clothed thus in white garments, and I will never blot his name out of the book of life. I will confess his name before my Father and before his angels. ⁶He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'

--GOSPEL LESSON *John 10:11-15*

[Jesus said:] ¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep."

--CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

--OFFERING / MESSAGE SONG

(Please bring your Offerings forward during the song.)

"Jesus, Name Above All Names"

(Matthew 1:21-23; Luke 1:31-33; Philippians 2:9-11; 2 Thessalonians 1:32)

Verse 1...Jesus, name above all names; beautiful Savior, glorious Lord, Emmanuel, God is with us; blessed Redeemer, Living Word.

Verse 2...Jesus, loving Shepherd, Vine of the branches, Son of God, Prince of Peace, Wonderful Counselor, Lord of the universe, Light of the world.

Verse 3...Jesus, Way of Salvation, King of kings, Lord of lords, the Way, the Truth, and the Life, Mighty Creator, My Savior and Friend.

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--MESSAGE OF THE DAY

"WHAT'S IN A NAME?"

The Rev. Paul Biebighauser

--PRAYERS

(Sung at beginning of prayers)

"The Spirit Intercedes For Us" *(Romans 8:26)*

The Spirit intercedes for us, with sighs too deep for words to express, oh, oh, oh.

The pastor will conclude the prayers with:

"Holy Spirit, in our weakness, help us to pray..."

(Sung at end of the prayers)

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