



LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

MARCH 6, 2016

Order of Worship

God's Commands for the Church

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills.

From where does my help come?

²My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.

³He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.

⁴Behold, he who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.

⁵The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

⁶The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.

⁷The LORD will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.

⁸The LORD will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.

Psalm 121

How Firm a Foundation

1. How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
2. "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed,
3. "When thro' fiery trials thy path-way shall lie,
4. "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose

Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
I will not, I will not de - sert to his foes;

What more can He say than to you He hath said,
I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
The flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - stand,
That soul, tho' all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

To you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
Thy dress to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake!"

WORDS: John Rippon's *Selection of Hymns*, 1787
MUSIC: Joseph Funk's *Genuine Church Music*, 1832

FOUNDATION
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Scripture Reading

James 2:1-13

¹My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. ²For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, ³and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, “You sit here in a good place,” while you say to the poor man, “You stand over there,” or, “Sit down at my feet,” ⁴have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? ⁷Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

⁸If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. ⁹But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. ¹¹For he who said, “Do not commit adultery,” also said, “Do not murder.” If you do not commit adultery but do murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. ¹²So speak and so act as those who are to be judged under the law of liberty. ¹³For judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.

Prayer of Confession

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Beneath the cross of Jesus
I find a place to stand,
And wonder at such mercy
That calls me as I am;
For hands that should discard me
Hold wounds which tell me, “Come.”
Beneath the cross of Jesus
My unworthy soul is won.

Beneath the cross of Jesus
His family is my own—
Once, strangers chasing selfish dreams,
Now one through grace alone.
How could I now dishonor
The ones that You have loved?
Beneath the cross of Jesus,
See the children called by God.

Beneath the cross of Jesus,
The path—before the crown—
We follow in His footsteps,
Where promised hope is found.
How great the joy before us,
To be His perfect bride!
Beneath the cross of Jesus
We will gladly live our lives.

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

1. Je - sus, I my cross have tak - en, All to leave, and fol - low Thee;
 2. Let the world de - spise and leave me, They have left my Sav - ior, too;
 3. Haste thee on from grace to glo - ry, Armed by faith, and winged by prayer;

Des - ti - tute, de - spised, for - sak - en, Thou, from hence, my all shall be;
 Hu - man hearts and looks de - ceive me, Thou art not, like man, un - true;
 Heav'n's e - ter - nal days be - fore thee, God's own hand shall guide thee there;

Per - ish ev - 'ry fond am - bi - tion, All I've sought or hoped or known;
 And, while Thou shalt smile up - on me, God of wis - dom, love, and might,
 Soon shall close thy earth - ly mis - sion, Swift shall pass thy pil - grim days;

Yet how rich is my con - di - tion: God and heav'n are still my own!
 Foes may hate, and friends may shun me: Show Thy face, and all is bright.
 Hope shall change to glad fru - i - tion, Faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

WORDS: Henry F. Lyte, 1793-1847

MUSIC: Attr. Wolfgang A. Mozart, 1756-1791, in Leavitt's *The Christian Lyre*, 1831;
 arr. Hubert P. Main, 1839-1925

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Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵“See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my vision,
O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me,
Save that Thou art:
Thou my best thought,
By day or by night,
Waking or sleeping,
Thy presence my light.

Riches I heed not,
Nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance,
Now and always:
Thou and Thou only,
First in my heart,
High King of heaven,
My treasure Thou art.

Be Thou my wisdom,
And Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee
And Thou with me, Lord:
Thou my great Father,
And I Thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling,
And I with Thee one.

High King of heaven,
My victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys,
O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart,
Whatever befall,
Still be my vision,
O Ruler of all.

Be Thou my breastplate,
My sword for the fight,
Be Thou my armour
And be Thou my might.
Be my soul's shelter,
And Thou my high tow'r,
Raise Thou me heavenwards,
O pow'r of my pow'r.

Offering

John 13:34-35

³⁴A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. ³⁵By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Romans 12:9-21

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O Church, Arise

O church, arise and put your armor on;
Hear the call of Christ our Captain;
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!"
Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul,
But to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on ev'ry side,
We know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died—
An inheritance of nations.

Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet,
As the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,
For the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away,
And Christ emerges from the grave,
This vict'ry march continues till the day
Ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride,
Give grace for ev'ry hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way,
Retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When, with Christ, we stand in glory.

Preparation for the Lord's Supper

I. The Lord's Supper is an ordinance of Christ.

Our Lord Jesus Christ has commanded all who are saved by faith to remember him through the observation of the ordinance. (Matthew 26:26-29, Mark 14:22-25, Luke 22:14-23)

The bread represents Christ's body that was crushed for our iniquity.

The cup represents his blood that was poured out to wash away our transgressions.

Our eating and drinking represent our faith in what he has done for us.

Our celebrating this together represents that we are united under Christ.

II. The Lord's Supper calls us all to self-examination.

Paul's teaching in I Corinthians 11:17-34 gives us four questions we should ask before partaking in the Lord's Supper:

First, do I believe Jesus Christ has died for my sins and is raised to give me new life?

If you are not a Christian, you should let the bread and the cup pass. Use this time to meditate on the good news that Jesus has laid down his life for sinners so that they can be forgiven and reconciled to God.

Second, have I been baptized and made my profession of faith public?

Paul is addressing "brothers" which always indicates those who have professed faith publicly. Baptism is the believer's first public obedience to Christ. If you believe the gospel and have not been baptized, we encourage you to let the elements pass and prayerfully consider why you have not followed Christ in baptism.

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Third, have I committed to a body of believers that knows I am part of their regular fellowship?

Paul addresses the church in the context of "when you come together" four times (vv. 18, 20, 33, 34). In vv. 33-34, he calls them to wait for everyone who is expected before beginning, implying that the ordinance was to be celebrated by a group of believers who gathered together and had a commitment to one another. If you are not publicly committed to a gathering of believers, please let the elements pass. Prayerfully consider why you have not committed to and submitted yourself to a church so that other Christians expect you and look forward to your fellowship each Sunday.

Fourth, have I sinned against someone in the body and need to seek forgiveness?

Paul calls us to examine ourselves (28), discern the body (29), and judge ourselves (31). We must recognize that we are taking the Lord's Supper as a church united because of the grace we have received from Christ. Do not hesitate to seek forgiveness from a member during our time of prayer so you can celebrate the forgiveness we have in Christ together.

During our time of reflection, please prayerfully consider these questions. Paul warns us not to take the Lord's Supper in an unworthy manner. If you are uncertain about these questions, please speak to an elder.

III. The Lord's Supper reminds us of the hope we have in Jesus.

The Lord's Supper reminds us that Christ died for the forgiveness of our sins and that we will share in the wedding supper of the Lamb when he returns. There we will rejoice in his love and grace forever.

Silent Reflection
for the bread

Romans 12:9-21
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Reflection in Song

for the cup

How Deep the Father's Love

How deep the Father's love for us!
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure!
How great the pain of searing loss:
The Father turns His face away
As wounds, which mar the Chosen One,
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders.
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life:
I know that it is finished!

I will not boast in anything -
No gifts, no power, no wisdom -
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer,
But this I know with all my heart:
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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Leader:

For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup,
you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
Come Lord Jesus.

Congregation:

Come Quickly.

Benediction

Holy God in love became
Perfect Man to bear my blame;
On the cross He took my sin;
By His death I live again.

(repeat)

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The Gospel Song

Announcements

Mark Your Calendars

- Daylight Saving Time: Spring forward one hour on March 13th
- Good Friday Service: March 25th at 6 p.m.
- Resurrection Sunday Service: March 27th at 10:30 a.m. (No Sunday School)

Spring Sunday School

Begins April 3rd

DISCIPLESHIP & LEADERSHIP STUDIES

Following Christ and Leading Others

This class seeks to equip members to be more faithful disciples and disciple-makers. Those attending will learn how to teach and apply God's Truth in accordance with sound doctrine. Men and women will meet in separate groups with the intention of having the older teaching the younger. Location will be in the fellowship hall classrooms (women) and downstairs fellowship hall (men). Additional details are forthcoming.

HEROES AND HERETICS

This class will be an overview of Church History, checking in at key events and considering key figures who have greatly influenced us, with or without our knowledge, and either by defending or challenging what we hold to be true. Knowing them will help us today.

There's great benefit for us to be acquainted with the struggles and trials of the heroes (and heretics) who have trod this road before: we can be prepared for trial, grounded faithfully in the Gospel and therefore "able to respond" to the questions and challenges of the world, be it sexual ethics, Trinitarian confusion, violent opposition or militant atheism.

This class will meet in the Overflow room.

LIFEWAY STUDY (MEN'S MICAH CLASS)

More Than Enough: How Jesus Meets Our Deepest Needs. Everything we need is found in Jesus. Jesus made seven "I Am" statements about Himself recorded in the Gospel of John, and this study shows us how, because of who Jesus is, He is able to meet our greatest needs. This class will meet in the upstairs kitchen.

Upcoming Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<i>Romans 12:9-21</i>						
Lord's Supper and First Sunday Lunch			Prayer 6PM			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<i>Romans 13:1-7</i>						
Daylight Saving Time			Prayer 6PM			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<i>Romans 13:8-14</i>						
Members' Meeting, 5:30PM			Prayer 6PM		Good Friday Service 6PM	
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
<i>Acts 2:22-36</i>						
Resurrection Sunday No Sunday School			Prayer 6PM			
3	4	Notes:				
<i>Romans 14:1-23</i>		Weekly gatherings: Sunday School 9AM Sunday Service 10:30AM Wednesday Prayer Service 6PM Nursery, Children's Choir and Youth Class offered				
Spring Sunday School begins Lord's Supper and First Sunday Lunch						

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