Worship Guide 7/23/2023

Call to Worship

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land. Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Psalm 95:1-7

Worshiping God by Singing

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day

All thy works with joy surround thee; earth and heaven reflect thy rays

Stars and angels sing around thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain
call us to rejoice in thee!

Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine
Teach us how to love each other;
lift us to the joy divine!

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Thy Mercy, My God

Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue Thy free grace alone from the first to the last Hath won my affections and bound my soul fast.

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here Sin soon would reduce me to utter despair But through Thy free goodness my spirits revive And He that first made me still keeps me alive. Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart, Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart; Dissolved by Thy goodness I fall to the ground And weep to the praise of the mercy I've found.

Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own, And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son; All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine!

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Worshiping God by Confessing Our Sins

Jesus, forgive my sins. Forgive the sins that I remember, and the sins I have forgotten. Forgive my many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when I have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements and those when I have failed to boast in your works. Forgive the harsh judgments I have made of others, and the leniency I have shown myself. Forgive the lies I have told to others, and the truths I have avoided. Forgive me the pain I have caused others and the indulgence I have shown myself. Jesus, have mercy on me and make me whole. Amen.

Worshiping God by Confessing Our Hope

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:14-16

Worshiping God by Singing

By Thy Mercy

Jesus, Lord of life and glory, Bend from heaven thy gracious ear; While our waiting souls adore thee, Friend of helpless sinners, hear:

From the depth of nature's blindness, From the hardening power of sin, From all malice and unkindness, From the pride that lurks within,

By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord. When temptation sorely presses, In the day of Satan's power, In our times of deep distresses, In each dark and trying hour.

When the world around is smiling, In the time of wealth and ease, Earthly joys our hearts beguiling, In the day of health and peace.

By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord.

> In the weary hours of sickness, In the times of grief and pain, When we feel our mortal weakness, When all human help is vain.

In the solemn hour of dying,
In the awful judgment day,
May our souls, on thee relying,
Find thee still our Rock and Stay.

By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord.

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Prayer

Missionary of the Week: John Stodghill III

Community Church of the Week: Crosspoint Baptist Church

Rev. Tim Simpson

Presbytery Church of the Week: Faith Presbyterian Church

Rev. Jordan Gallo

Worshiping God by Hearing His Word

Series: Rest in a Restless World

Sermon: Rhythms of Rest

¹ Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

Genesis 2:1-3

² And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. ³ So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

⁸Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, ¹⁰ but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD

your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. ¹¹ For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

Exodus 20:8-11

Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. ¹³ Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁴ but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. ¹⁵ You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Mark 2:27-28

²⁷ And he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. ²⁸ So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath."

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Worshiping God by Singing

This is My Father's World

This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears, all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.

This is my Father's world:

I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees,
of skies and seas;
his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise, the morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.

This is my Father's world: he shines in all that's fair; in rustling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world:

O let me ne'er forget

That though the wrong seems oft so strong,

God is the Ruler yet.

This is my Father's world:

The Battle is not done

Jesus who died shall be satisfied

And earth and heav'n be one

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Benediction

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26