



Christ Presbyterian Church

Service of Worship 8 July 2018

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REFLECTION

Heidelberg Catechism Q. 60: How are you right with God?

A. Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart.

"Through faith in Christ, therefore, Christ's righteousness becomes our righteousness and all that he has becomes ours."

Martin Luther

"...a man will be justified by faith when, excluded from righteousness of works, he by faith lays hold of the righteousness of Christ, and clothed in it appears in the sight of God not as a sinner, but as righteous."

John Calvin

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

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CALL TO WORSHIP – 2 PETER 1:2-4

Jesus our Lord has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. He has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them we may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

PRAYER OF ADORATION (CONCLUDED BY THE LORD'S PRAYER)

ALL: Our Father, who 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, forever and ever. Amen.

ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, his praise forth-tell,
Come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord ye know is God indeed;
Without our aid he did us make;
We are his folk, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good,
His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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I SING THE ALMIGHTY POWER OF GOD

I sing th' almighty pow'r of God, that made the mountains rise,
That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at His command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, who filled the earth with food,
He formed the creatures with His word, and then pronounced
them good.

Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye:
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flow'r below, but makes Thy glories known;
And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from Thy throne;
While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care,
And everywhere that man can be, Thou, God, art present there.

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SCRIPTURE READING – 1 CORINTHIANS 13:1-4

¹ If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³ If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. ⁴ Love is patient and kind; love does not envy.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Minister: Almighty God, we confess our envy.

ALL: Heavenly Father, we confess our discontent.

Minister: We've been quick to envy the gifts You've bestowed on others,

ALL: And yet been slow to appreciate the gifts You've given us.

Minister: We've been quick to compare ourselves with peers,

ALL: And yet been slow to encourage those around us.

Minister: We've brooded over temporal distinctions,

ALL: And overlooked eternal truths.

Minister: We're grateful that Christ died for our sins,

ALL: And rose for our justification.

Minister: Refresh our hearts in your lavish grace,

ALL: Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT – EPHESIANS 1:7-8

In Christ Jesus we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace which he lavished upon us.

COME YE SINNERS

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus, ready, stands to save you,
Full of pity, joined with power.
He is able, He is able;
He is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come, and welcome,
God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money
Come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Bruised and broken by the fall;
If you tarry 'til you're better,
You will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous;
Sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger,
Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requires
Is to feel your need of Him.
This He gives you, this He gives you,
'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended;
Pleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him; venture wholly,
Let no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus
Can do helpless sinners good.

O GOD, BE MERCIFUL TO ME

To thee I come, a sinner poor,
And wait for mercy at thy door;
Indeed, I've nowhere else to flee;
O God, be merciful to me!

To thee I come, a sinner weak,
And scarce know how to pray or speak;
From fear and weakness set me free;
O God, be merciful to me!

Chorus:

Hear, gracious God, a sinner's cry,
For I have nowhere else to fly;
My hope, my only hope's in thee;
O God, be merciful to me!

To thee I come, a sinner great,
And well thou knowest all my state;
Yet full forgiveness is with thee;
O God, be merciful to me!
(Chorus)

To glory bring me, Lord, at last,
And there, when all my fears are past,
With all thy saints I'll then agree,
God has been merciful to me!
(Chorus)

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SCRIPTURE READING – ROMANS 3:9-25

⁹ What then? Are we Jews any better off? No, not at all. For we have already charged that all, both Jews and Greeks, are under sin, ¹⁰ as it is written:

"None is righteous, no, not one;

¹¹ no one understands;

no one seeks for God.

¹² All have turned aside; together they have become worthless;

no one does good, not even one."

¹³ "Their throat is an open grave;

they use their tongues to deceive."

"The venom of asps is under their lips."

¹⁴ "Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness."

¹⁵ "Their feet are swift to shed blood;

¹⁶ in their paths are ruin and misery,

¹⁷ and the way of peace they have not known."

¹⁸ "There is no fear of God before their eyes."

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it- ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.

SERMON – COMPARISON

COMMUNION

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

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.

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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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BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Visiting?** Welcome! If you would like more information about the church and/or to be put on our email list for our weekly newsletter, please either fill out the last page of this bulletin and drop it in the offering plate at the end of the service, or email office@christ-pca.org.
- **New Worship Tool:** You – the congregation – are the most important instrument in the worship ensemble on Sunday mornings. We are putting together a resource to assist the congregation in presenting its most excellent musical offerings to God. We hope that it will improve the quality of our corporate worship and also be useful to you individually in your personal worship. David Routenberg, our Director of Worship, is creating a playlist on Spotify that will eventually contain our entire repertoire of songs. Each week, he will edit the playlist and add the songs for the upcoming Sunday to the top of the list. The hope is that many of you will make it a habit to listen to these songs prior to each Sunday's worship service. It will be a helpful tool for preparing your hearts for worship throughout the week. Additionally, it will help you serve your fellow congregants by equipping you to encourage them by singing the music with confidence. Spotify is a free service that you can access via computer or mobile device. If you do not already have an account, simply go to www.spotify.com and click on "get spotify free." You can then search for the playlist "Christ Presbyterian Church Germantown Worship Repertoire." Then, simply save the playlist to your library so that you can access it easily in the future! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact David Routenberg at davidroutenberg@yahoo.com. Happy Listening!
- **Playgroup:** This week's playgroup is scheduled for Tuesday, July 10th. However, no one is currently signed up to organize it. If you would like to organize this playdate, please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f084aa8ad2fa2fa7-organize> and email the group with details!
- **Next Women's Gathering:** Ladies, our next Women's Gathering is scheduled for Thursday, July 26th. Questions? Please contact Bekah Machiela at rebekah.machiela@gmail.com.
- **Ladies Night Out:** Ladies, save the date of Saturday, August 4th for a night out together. Avonlea Blizzard is organizing this event and will be getting details out closer to the date. For now, please mark it on your calendars!

- **Women's Retreat:** Ladies, don't forget that our women's retreat is coming up on the weekend of September 22nd. Lucy Silva is organizing this event and will be getting more details out over the next few weeks, but for now, please be sure to protect that weekend on your calendars!

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

- **Sunday, July 8**
 - Worship Service – 11:00am
 - Gaithersburg Community Group – 5:00pm
- **Tuesday, July 10**
 - Playgroup (pending someone signing up to organize it)
- **Sunday, July 15**
 - Worship Service – 11:00am

FINANCIAL UPDATE

- **2018 Giving (Unrestricted) as of June 30:** \$99,525
- **2018 Expenses (Unrestricted) as of May 31:** \$116,202

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WANT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT CPC?

Is today your first day with us? Or, have you been visiting for a while but are looking to get plugged in now? Simply fill out the information below and drop it in the offering plate, which will be passed during the last worship song. Or, email your information to the church office at office@christ-pca.org.

Name(s): _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Children's Names/Ages: _____

Check all that apply:

- I'd like to learn more about Christianity
- I'd like to learn more about CPC
- I'd like to receive CPC's email newsletter each week
- I'd like to learn more about CPC's Children's Ministry
- I'd like to learn more about CPC's Community Groups
- I'm interested in becoming a member of CPC

Other: _____
