Westminster Fresbyterian Church The Lord's Day Morning Worship

June 7, AD 2020

10:55 AM

The Preparation for Worship

Prelude

Let us prepare ourselves for worship. Use this time for silent prayer and meditation on the Word. "Holy, holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! You are worthy to receive glory, and honor, and power: for You have created all things, and for Your pleasure they are and were created. Blessed be Your Divine Majesty, who has given us Your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and to worship one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We beseech You that You would keep us steadfast in this faith, and in holiness of life; and give us grace to walk worthy of You; who lives and reigns ever one God, world without end. Amen."

Welcome and Announcements

*The Call to Worship

Psalm 103:1.22

Minister: Bless the Lord, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy Name!

All: Bless the Lord, all His works, in all places of His dominion: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Minister: Let us worship God!

The Lord's Praise

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Pastor Reiber

*Hymn #92: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God Ein' Feste Burg

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;

our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.

For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;

his craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate,

on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he, Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us. The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

Confession of Sin from John Knox Liturgy All: Almighty God, we are unworthy to come into Your presence, because of our many sins. We do not deserve any grace or mercy from You, if You dealt with us as we deserve. We have sinned against You, O Lord, and we have offended You. And yet, O Lord, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses, so also do we acknowledge You to be a merciful God, a loving and favorable Father, to all who turn to You. And so we humbly ask You, for the sake of Christ Your Son, to show mercy to us, and forgive us all our offenses. Forgive the sins of our youth, and the sins of our old age. By your Spirit, O God, take possession of our hearts, so that, not only the actions of our life, but also the words of our mouths, and the smallest thought of our minds, may be guided and governed by You. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Isaiah 43:25 *Minister:* I, even I, am He who blots out your transgressions for My own sake; And I will not remember your sins. *All:* Amen

*Confession 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 Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Gifts

Offertory Prayer Pastor Reiber

*The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'ly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Hymn #518: Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground Hendon Christ, of all my hopes the ground, Christ, the spring of all my joy, still in you may I be found, still for you my pow'rs employ, still for you my pow'rs employ.

Let your love my heart inflame; keep your fear before my sight; be your praise my highest aim; be your smile my chief delight, be your smile my chief delight.

Fountain of o'erflowing grace, freely from your fullness give; till I close my earthly race, may I prove it "Christ to live," may I prove it "Christ to live."

Firmly trusting in your blood, nothing shall my heart confound; safely I shall pass the flood, safely reach Immanuel's ground, safely reach Immanuel's ground.

The Lord's Word

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Reiber Scripture Ephesians 4:7-16

Sermon I Believe: Confessing the Faith

Our Commitment

*Hymn #707: Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken Ellesdie

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow thee;

destitute, despised, forsaken, thou from hence my all shall be.

Perish ev'ry fond ambition, all I've sought or hoped or known;

yet how rich is my condition, God and heav'n are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me, they have left my Savior too; human hearts and looks deceive me; thou art not, like man, untrue; and, while thou shalt smile upon me, God of wisdom, love, and might, foes may hate and friends may shun me; show thy face, and all is bright.

*Benediction Postlude Pastor Reiber

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*Congregation Standing

Morning Worship Sermon Outline

Text: Ephesians 4:7-16

Title: I Believe: Confessing the Faith

Introduction

I. Confessing the faith is biblical.

II. Why the Apostle's Creed?

A. Truth and Unity

B. Standards and Discipleship

C. Confession and Connection. Because the truth of God keeps us and must be presented to the world.

Announcements

Welcome to Westminster – The Westminster family extends a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. We pray that God's rich blessings in Christ may be yours. Please complete the Registry which is found at the end of each pew. We are delighted to have you with us this Lord's Day.

The CPC's Baby Bottle Fundraiser bottles are due. Bottles are due by next Sunday, June 14. You may turn in bottles at either door to the Sanctuary. You may also turn them in at the church office from 8:00 AM-Noon Monday thru Friday.

The Ushers will dismiss the congregation by rows after the worship service this morning. Please remain in your seat until you are dismissed.

Tithes and Offerings may be given at the collection points on either side of the front and rear of the sanctuary as offering plates will not be passed.

Easy On-line giving to WPC is now available. See the link on our website (www.wpcvicksburg.com). You may also text your gift by texting "Give" + amount (i.e. Give 100 to donate \$100) to 601-207-0484.

Westminster Shorter Catechism #106: For what do we pray in the sixth request? In the sixth request (And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one) we pray that God would either keep us from being tempted to sin or support and deliver us when we are tempted.

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Homebound Mildred Coleman Bible Readings: I Ki 2:1-12:19; Acts 5:1-9:25; Ps 125:1-131:3; Prov 16:25-17:5

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