

The Lord's Service

February 18, 2018

*All who are able, please stand.

Prelude

*Song of Praise with Greeting

Now Unto the King Eternal

Now unto the King eternal, unto the King immortal,
Unto the King invisible, the only wise God, the only wise God.
(repeat)

Oh, unto the King be glory and honor, unto the King forever.
Unto the King be glory and honor forever and ever!

Amen. Amen.

(1993 Far Lane Music)

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us

In silent meditation, prepare to meet the *wise* God in worship.

*Call to Worship

LEADER: Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker
of heaven and earth.

PEOPLE: **I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise
shall continually be in my mouth.**

LEADER: My soul shall make its boast in the Lord. The
humble shall hear of it and be glad.

PEOPLE: **Oh, magnify the Lord with me and let us
exalt His name together.**

*Salutation

Pastor Bennett

God Cleanses Us

Reading of the Law of God

LEADER: Hear now the Covenant of your God, which He has commanded you to keep saying, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

You shall have no other gods before Me.

PEOPLE: You shall not make for yourself an idol.

LEADER: You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

PEOPLE: Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

LEADER: Honor your father and your mother.

PEOPLE: You shall not murder.

LEADER: You shall not commit adultery.

PEOPLE: You shall not steal.

LEADER: You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

PEOPLE: You shall not covet."

LEADER: Have you fully obeyed the Lord in all that He has commanded? Have you loved the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength and your neighbor as yourself?

PEOPLE: No, but we have sinned in thought, in word, and in deed.

LEADER: Then confess your sins to the Lord for with Him there is mercy and abundant redemption.

Choral Song of Meditation

Psalm 119.174-175

I have longed for Thy saving health, O Lord;
Thy law is my delight, O Lord.
O let my soul live and it shall praise Thee,
And Thy judgements, shall help me.

Corporate Confession of Sin (in unison)

Merciful God,
we humble ourselves in Your presence,
confessing our sinfulness in Your sight.
We have broken Your holy law.
We have not sought first Your kingdom and
righteousness.
We have been anxious and troubled about many things,
and have neglected the things that belong to our peace.
We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves,
or done to others as we would have them do unto us.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father,
who has given us Your Son, Jesus Christ,
to save Your people from their sins;
forgive us, we pray,
cleansing us from all unrighteousness,
and renew a right spirit within us;
through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ,
our Lord and Savior. Amen

Declaration of Pardon

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the good news...
...The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: **And also with you!**

God Consecrates Us

Old Testament Reading Elder Howard VanderGriend
Psalm 147.1-11 (p. 525)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem

Choir

He Leadeth Me

He leadeth me, O blessed thought, O words with heav'nly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where're I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
By waters calm, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me, by His own hand He leadeth me.
His faithful foll'wer I would be, for by His hand He leadeth me.

Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine, nor ever murmur nor repine;
Content whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

And when my task on earth is done, when by Thy grace the victory's won,
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me.

*Doxology

No. 731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of the Church

Pastor Bennett

*Hymn

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your Holy Word.

Take Your truth; plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.

Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity.

Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.

Words of pow'r that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us;
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.

And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.

Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

(2005 Thankyou Music)

Scripture Lesson

John 17.6-19 (p. 903)

Sermon

Dr. J. Render Caines

THE LORD'S PRAYER II: SANCTIFICATION

*Hymn

O Church Arise

1. O Church, a - rise, and put your ar - mor on; hear the call of Christ our Cap -
 2. Our call to war, to love the cap - tive soul, but to rage a - gainst the cap -
 3. Come, see the cross, where love and mer - cy meet, as the Son of God is strick -
 4. So Spir - it, come, put strength in ev - ery stride, give_ grace for ev - ery hur -

tain. For now the weak can say that they are strong in the strength that God has giv -
 tor; And with the sword that makes the wound - ed whole, we will fight with faith and val -
 en; Then see His foes lie crushed be - neath His feet, for the Con - quer - or has ris -
 de; That we may run with faith, to win the prize of a serv - ant, good and faith -

en. With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand a - gainst the dev - il's
 or. When faced with trials on ev - ery side, we know the out - come is se -
 en. And as the stone is rolled a - way and Christ e - merg - es from the
 ful. As saints of old still line the way, re - tell - ing tri - umphs of His

lies; An ar - my bold, whose bat - tle cry is Love, reach - ing out to those in dark - ness.
 cure. And Christ will have the prize for which He died, an in - her - it - ance of na - tions.
 grave, this vic - tory march con - tin - ues till the day ev - ery eye and heart shall see Him.
 grace, we hear their calls, and hun - ger for the day when, with Christ, we stand in glo - ry.

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*Confession of Faith (in unison)

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.

He 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 is seated at the right hand of
God the Father Almighty.

From there He will come to judge the living
and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic[†] church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

No. 734

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.

God Commissions Us

*Benediction

Pastor Caines

Postlude

[†] "catholic" -- universal