

The Lord's Service

August 12, 2018

*All who are able, please stand.

Prelude

*Song of Praise with Greeting

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend;
Who would have thought that a Lamb could
Rescue the souls of men?
Oh, You rescue the souls of men.

Chorus:

You are the One that we praise; You are the One we adore.
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for.
Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace;
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way,
Oh, we hopelessly lost the way. (Chorus)

Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own;
Here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne,
Oh, we're falling before Your throne. (Chorus)

(1989 Word Music)

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us

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

*Call to Worship

LEADER: Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name;

PEOPLE: **Make known among the nations what He has done.**

LEADER: Sing to Him, sing praise to Him;

PEOPLE: **Tell of all His wonderful acts.**

LEADER: Glory in His holy name;

ALL: **Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.**

*Salutation

Pastor Jones

*Hymn

No. 457

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*Invocation

Elder Jim Hildebrand

God Cleanses Us

Reading of the Law of God

LEADER: Hear now the commandments of your God, which He has commanded you to keep saying, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and great commandment.

PEOPLE: **And the second, like unto it is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'**"

LEADER: Have you fully obeyed the Lord in all that He has commanded?

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

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

Corporate Confession of Sin (in unison)

Merciful God,
we acknowledge and confess before You our many sins.
We have transgressed Your holy laws;
we have neglected Your Word;
we have walked in our own ways
and fulfilled the desires of our own hearts.
We have injured others, hurt our own souls,
and grieved Your Holy Spirit.

Gracious God,
Who pardons all that repent and believe Your Gospel;
show Your mercy upon us,
and for the sake of Your beloved Son,
our only Mediator, forgive us of our sins.
Increase in us the grace of repentance,
that we may not only confess our sins,
but forsake them with our whole heart,
and bring forth the fruits of righteousness,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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!**

*Hymn

No. 164

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Readings

Elder Danny Grant

Jeremiah 17.5-13 (p. 645)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

New Members Recognition

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem

Choir

Rescue the Perishing

Rescue the perishing, care for the dying,
Snatch them in pity from sin and the grave;
Weep over the erring one, lift up the fallen,
Tell them of Jesus, the mighty to save.

Though they are slighting Him, still He is waiting,
Waiting the penitent child to receive;
Plead with them earnestly, plead with them gently,
He will forgive if they only believe.

Rescue the perishing, care for the dying;
Jesus is merciful, Jesus will save.

Down in the human heart, crushed by the tempter,
Nature lies broken that grace can restore;
Oh, touched by a loving heart, wakened by kindness.
Chords that are broken will vibrate once more.

Rescue the perishing, care for the dying;
Jesus is merciful, Jesus will save.

Rescue the perishing, duty demands it;
Strength for thy labor the Lord will provide;
Into the narrow way patiently win them;
Tell the poor wanderer a Savior has died.

(Schwoebel, 1988 Hinshaw Music)

*Doxology

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. (2x)

And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
Let the poor say, "I am rich,"
Because of what the Lord has done for us. (2x)
Give thanks.

(1978 Henry Smith Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

*Prayer of the Church

Pastor Mullinax

*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

Postlude

[†] "catholic" -- universal