

Order of Worship
JULY 3, 2022

Meditation – Jeremiah 32:18-19

You show steadfast love to thousands, but you repay the guilt of fathers to their children after them, O great and mighty God, whose name is the LORD of hosts, great in counsel and mighty in deed, whose eyes are open to all the ways of the children of man, rewarding each one according to his ways and according to the fruit of his deeds.

Songs of Adoration – 2

Call to Worship – Psalm 97:7-12

All worshipers of images are put to shame, who make their boast in worthless idols; worship him, all you gods! Zion hears and is glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O LORD. For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods. O you who love the LORD, hate evil! He preserves the lives of his saints; he delivers them from the hand of the wicked. Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart. Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

Prayer of Adoration

Confession of Sin

Holy God, we confess that we are not worthy of the riches of life for which generations have labored that we might enter into this heritage. We confess the sorry confusion of our common life, the greed which disfigures our collective life and sets us against our fellow humans made in Your image. We confess the indifference and callousness with which we treat the sufferings and insecurity of the poor and downtrodden, and the pettiness which mars relations between us. May we with contrite hearts seek once more to purify our spirits through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *(adapted from Reinhold Niebuhr)*

Assurance of Pardon

L - The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

C - He will not always chide, nor will He keep His anger forever.

L - He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

All - For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us. *(Psalm 103:8-12)*

Songs of Worship – 2

Offering and Doxology

New Testament Reading – John 14:6-14

Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves. Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.”

Reader: “The Word of the Lord”

Congregation: “Thanks Be to God”

Welcome / Announcements

Dismissal of Children to Children’s Church

Song of Preparation – 1

Sermon Text – Exodus 20:4-6

“You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

Sermon – “Proper Worship”

Song of Response – 1

Benediction