WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

Sunday, August 7, 2022

Reflection

Prayer confronts us with the fact that we are not as smart or as powerful as we wish we were. It reminds us that there is a kingdom that spans from before origin to beyond destiny and includes everything in between.

—Paul Tripp

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Hebrews 1:1-3

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things through whom also he created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.

*Invocation

*Songs of Praise

Fairest Lord Jesus, Hymn #170 Münster Gesangbuch, 1677; Tr. 1850; Silesian Folk Song

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, Robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, And all the twinkling, starry host: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels heav'n can boast.

Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
Now and for evermore be thine.

Almighty

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You have no rival, You stand alone
The heavens worship before Your throne
There is no one like You
You have no equal, Your Kingdom reigns
Yours is the highest of ev'ry name
There is no one like You

CHORUS: Almighty, we're standing in the presence of Your majesty You're holy, You alone the sov'reign crown of royalty You're the King of kings (almighty)

Our God eternal, the great I Am
The praise of angels will never end
There is no one like You
Eyes like fire, face like the sun
A voice like thunder who was and is and is to come (CHORUS)

BRIDGE: I see the Holy One high and exalted
I hide my eyes and I tremble before Him, I tremble before Him
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I hide my eyes and I tremble before Him, I tremble

CHORUS

Confession

Father, I want to know Thee, but my cowardly heart fears to give up its toys. I cannot part with them without inward bleeding, and I do not try to hide from Thee the terror of the parting. I come trembling, but I do come. Please root from my heart all those things which I have cherished so long and which have become a very part of my living self, so that Thou mayest enter and dwell there without rival. Then shalt Thou make the place of Thy feet glorious. Then shall my heart have no need of the sun to shine in it, for Thyself wilt be the light of it, and there shall be no night there. In Jesus' name, Amen.

A. W. Tozer

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness & Pardoning Grace Psalm 32:1

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

*Hymn of Assurance

Nothing but the Blood of Jesus, Hymn # 307 Robert Lowry, 1876

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus; What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

REFRAIN: O precious is the flow, that makes me white as snow; No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my cleansing this I see—nothing but the blood of Jesus; For my pardon this my plea—nothing but the blood of Jesus. (REFRAIN)

Nothing can for sin atone—nothing but the blood of Jesus; Naught of good that I have done—nothing but the blood of Jesus. (REFRAIN)

This is all my hope and peace—nothing but the blood of Jesus; This is all my righteousness—nothing but the blood of Jesus. (REFRAIN)

Now by this I'll overcome—nothing but the blood of Jesus; Now by this I'll reach my home—nothing but the blood of Jesus. (REFRAIN)

Tithes and Offerings

1 Chronicles 29:12-14

Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name. "But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.

*There are offering boxes at each exit, or you may give online

**Kindergarten through 2nd grade are dismissed to the library for Engage. They will rejoin the congregation during the final song.

Congregational Prayer

Choir Anthem

Guide Me. O Thou Great Jehovah

Arr. Mark Haves

Reading of Scripture

Matthew 6:1, 5-8

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Freedom from Impressing Others

*Song of Response

In Christ Alone

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In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground;
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All; here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh; fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness;
Scorned by the ones He came to save

'Til on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied For every sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay; Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine; bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death; this is the power of Christ in me From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand 'Til He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand

*Benediction

Installation and Celebration: Join us tonight for Bryan Counts' installation service at 6pm followed by a church wide celebration! We're so excited to welcome the Counts family and celebrate as a church body. Childcare is available for the installation service. Pick up children after the service and bring them to the celebration. Bring a lawn chair or blanket for the celebration. We'll have two dessert food trucks and lawn games!

***if the weather is bad, we'll be in the fellowship hall

Congregational Meeting The session has called a congregational meeting to be held following the morning worship service on August 14 for the purpose of approving the compensation packages of our pastors. A member of the session will also be sharing the stewardship plan for 2022/23 that was recently approved by the session

Fall Startup: As the fall kicks off, learn about programming at clemsonpres.org/fall or in the church app. Here is the August calendar:

August 14

Children & Youth Promotion Sunday
Congregational Budget Meeting, Worship Center, following service

August 16

Women's Tuesday Together (special event), 7pm

August 17

Women's Morning Bible Study, 9:15am, Fellowship Hall Children's MidWeek, 6-7:30pm, 1E6 Youth Dgroups (Moving Up Party), 6-7:30pm, Upstairs Worship Center

August 24

Women's Evening Study, 6-7:30pm, Library

August 26

Children's Movie Night (special event)

August 31

Children's MidWeek, 6-7:30pm, 1E6

Officer Info: If you would like to talk to an elder or deacon, their information is available in Realm, our online database, on a handout at the information booth, or by calling the church office

Elders: Bryan Counts, Steve Dickey, Greg Batt, Doug Bull, Bill Caldwell, Lehmon Dekle, Mark Dodd, Bill Fisk, Mike Haas, Will Huss, Kevin Miles, Chris Peters, Rob Porter, Jacob Repokis, Conrad Shuler, Carson Snipes, Barry Swiger, Doug Wilson, Rob Vaughn

Deacons: Tommy Barron, Ensley Feemster, Bill Harley, Allen Lohmann, Bill Shivar, Clint Thackery, David Thorsland, Joel Ward, Brooks Williams

The Lord's Prayer

Freedom from impressing others Matthew 6:1, 5-8

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