March 17, 2024

Christ Church

Prelude

Moments of Concern

Call to Worship: *Psalm 43:3-4* – Oh, send out Your light and Your truth! Let them lead me; let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your tabernacle. Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy; and on the harp I will praise You, O God, my God. **Heidelberg Catechism:** Lord's Day 11 (pages 13-14)

- Q. Why is the son of God called "Jesus" meaning "savior"?
 - A. Because He saves us from our sins. Salvation cannot be found in anyone else; it is futile to look for any salvation elsewhere.
- Q. Do those who look for their salvation and security in saints, in themselves, or elsewhere really believe in the only savior Jesus?
 - A. No. Although they boast of being His, by their deeds they deny the only savior and deliverer, Jesus. Either Jesus is not a perfect savior, or those who in true faith accept this savior have in Him all they need for their salvation.

*Hymn of Adoration: 325 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" Call to Confession: Psalm 51:16-17 – For You do not desire sacrifice, or

else I would give it; You do not delight in burnt offering. The sacrifices of

God are a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heart—these, O God, You will not despise.

Prayer of Confession: Father in heaven, forgive us, for when we are stressed, bored or dissatisfied, we have sought rival comforts other than from Your Son Jesus our Savior. We have failed to regard Jesus as holy and glorious or to present our hearts for You to make us godly.

Cleanse us of all pride that keeps us from clinging to Christ alone to save us. Forgive us and break us of our tendency to look to both Jesus and idols as our hope or to try to justify ourselves as good enough according to our own standards. Help us to revere You and Your holiness as supreme. We pray in the Name of Jesus who alone can rescue us from evil. Amen.

Have Mercy:

Have mercy on us. Have mercy on us.

Oh Lord, have mercy. Oh Lord, have mercy.

Oh, help my unbelief. Oh, help my unbelief.

Oh Lord, have mercy. Oh Lord, have mercy.

Assurance of Pardon: *Psalm 34:18* – The LORD is near to those who have a broken heart, and saves such as have a contrite spirit. C: Thanks be to God.

Gloria Patri: 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.

Collect of the Day (unison): Almighty God, You have been the hope and confidence of Your people in all ages. Open our eyes to see Your beauty and glory so that we might dedicate our lives to worshiping You. Preserve us from destruction and bring us safely home to Your presence for eternity. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. ***Old Testament Lesson:** *Ezekiel 36:27* - I will put My Spirit within you

and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.

*New Testament Lesson: *Romans* 11:36 – For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

*Sermon Text: Romans 12:1-21 (pages 1008-1009)

Missions Moment

Children's Sermon

*Hymn of Preparation: Psalm 40:1-9 (back of bulletin)

Sermon: "From Doctrine to Life"

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (unison): Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Offertory Response: Doxology

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 Dedication

*Hymn of Response: Praise Book 71 "Rock of Ages"

*Benediction

*Threefold Amen

*Postlude