

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

THE NINETEENTH DAY OF MARCH, TWO THOUSAND AND SEVENTEEN
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'clock

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MEDITATION

“The Prayer of St. Patrick” Schoenfeld
The Men's Ensemble with Christi Fleming, Flute
Harrison Howle, Director

Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100

The Minister: “Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!”

The Congregation: Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

The Minister: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

The Minister and Congregation: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations!” Amen! Let us worship God!

The Reverend Mike Malone, Assistant Pastor (8:30 a.m.)
The Reverend Parker Tenent, Assistant Pastor (11:00 a.m.)

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“The God of Abraham Praise” No. 34

THE PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

“In All the Land Rejoice” Psalm 100
Festal Song

In all the land rejoice and to the Lord cry out.
In worship gladly serve the Lord, for joy before him shout.

Because the Lord is good, his love will yet endure;
To generations, on and on, his faithfulness is sure.

☞ Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad at this time. ☞

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

Walter McLeod Butler (8:30 a.m.)

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Houston Rebecca Howell (11:00 a.m.)

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, every time we rebel against your rule in our lives, we enslave ourselves to the tyranny of guilt and sin. We exchange freedom for bondage; we trade health for sickness of soul; we are left miserable. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive us for not living out the reality of our new lives in Christ. Forgive us for not understanding the power of the Gospel that brings forgiveness and transformation. Enlighten our minds, transform our hearts, strengthen our wills—let us be new men and women, empowered by Christ's resurrection, enslaved to nothing by Christ's freedom. In Jesus' name, *Amen*.

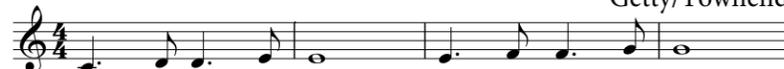
THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God calls to us that we might seek him and find forgiveness in him. Isaiah 55 tells us, “Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will freely pardon.” Thanks be to God for the full pardon that he secures for us and offers to us through Jesus Christ! — *Isaiah 55:6-7*

THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE

“The Power of the Cross”

Words and music by
Getty/Townend



1. Oh, to see the dawn Of the dark - est day:
2. Now the day - light flees; Now the ground be - neath
3. Oh, to see my name Writ - ten in the wounds,



Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry.
Quakes as its Ma - ker bows His head.
For through Your suff - 'ring I am free.



Tried by sin - ful men, Torn and beat - en, then
Cur - tain torn in two, Dead are raised to life;
Death is crushed to death; Life is mine to live,



Nailed to a cross of wood. This, the
“Fin - ished!” the vic - t'ry cry. This, the
Won through Your self - less love! This, the



pow'r of the cross: Christ be - came
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pow'r of the cross: Son of God,



sin for us; Took the blame, bore the
sin for us; Took the blame, bore the
slain for us; What a love! What a



wrath - We stand for - giv - en at the cross.
wrath - We stand for - giv - en at the cross.
cost! We stand for - giv - en at the cross.

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism Q 33-34

Question and Answer 33:

The Minister: Why is Jesus called God's “only begotten son” when we are also God's children?

The Congregation: Because Christ alone is the eternal, natural Son of God. We, however, are adopted children of God — adopted by grace through Christ.

Question and Answer 34:

The Minister: Why do you call him “our Lord”?

The Congregation: Because — not with gold or silver, but with his precious blood — he has set us free from sin and from the tyranny of the devil, and has bought us, body and soul, to be his very own.

THE PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who 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*.

THE OFFERTORY

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus” arr. K. Lee Scott
James A. Brown, Jr., Director

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of his love;
Leading onward, leading homeward, to that glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Spread his praise from shore to shore;
How he loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore;
How he watches o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own;
How for them he intercedeth, Watcheth o'er them from the throne.

Choir and Congregation:

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of ev'ry love the best:
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus! 'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
And it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to thee. *Amen*.

THE SERMON

Galatians 4:21-31 (*pew Bible page 974*)
“Slavery and Freedom”
Dr. Sean Michael Lucas
Senior Pastor

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

“How Firm a Foundation” No. 94
(stanzas 1,2,3,6)

THE BENEDICTION

